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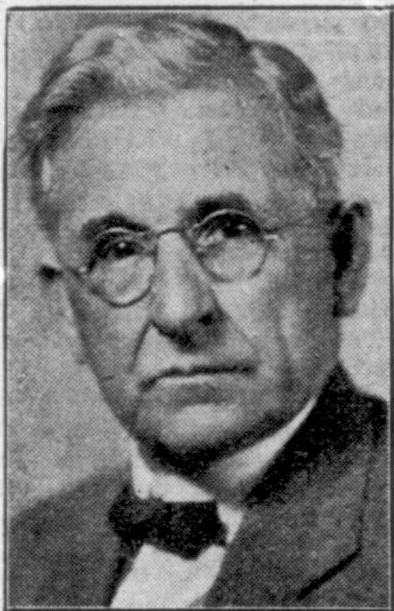
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## DR. PROVINE MEMBER MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE FACULTY FIFTY YEARS



DR. J. W. PROVINE  
By Chester E. Swor

In 1893 there came to the faculty of Mississippi College a brilliant young professor who had recently won the Ph.D. degree from one of Europe's outstanding universities—a feat decidedly unique fifty years ago!

The young professor was Dr. J. W. Provine, and his coming to Mississippi's oldest institution of higher education was destined to become a high point in its history. Now that fifty years have passed, a retrospective glance affords an inspiring view of a record of great achievement—both for himself and for the college to which he has devoted all of his boundless energies.

### Great Teacher

To those who have known Dr. Provine only as a college executive, it is often a surprising discovery to learn that he has been through the years an outstanding organic chemist and a superlative teacher of that difficult and intricate science. To the hundreds of his beloved "boys" who sat in his classes, who accompanied him on various trips for chemical study and observation, who chatted with him personally, Dr. Provine will ever be cherished as a truly great teacher. He and his distinguished colleague, Dr. A. E. Wood, have probably sent a higher percentage of their students into graduate study in outstanding graduate schools than have

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## REV. BILL MARSHALL NEW FOREIGN MISSION PERSONNEL SECRETARY

Rev. J. W. Bill Marshall has accepted the position, effective July 1, to which he was elected by the Foreign Mission Board at its April meeting. Mr. Marshall's responsibility will be interviewing and corresponding with young people concerning missionary service on the foreign fields. For some time the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention has been the only major mission board in America which has not had a personnel secretary.

Mr. Marshall, who is a native of Oklahoma, received his academic training at the University of Kansas and Baylor University and his seminary training at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. Hardin-Simmons University is conferring on him at this commencement an honorary degree of doctor of divinity.

Before beginning his work as state secretary of the Baptist Student Union in Texas, he was pastor of the University Baptist Church in Fort Worth, Texas. In 1940, Mr. and Mrs. Marshall visited the Orient at the invitation of the Baptist young people. They have a daughter, Ann Lyn, born May 25, 1942. Mr. Marshall is one of



REV. J. W. (BILL) MARSHALL

the best equipped men in America for this significant work among our Baptist young people. Much of his time will be spent in visiting in colleges and universities and conferring with young people concerning life's plans and opportunities.

## National Radio Commentator Bradford S. Abernathy Discusses Baptists

Below are presented excerpts from the report of Bradford Abernathy over the Blue network on Southern Baptist activities:

The meeting in Nashville which I have been attending the last two days was in no sense a miniature or an interim Convention. It was a meeting of the Convention's Executive Committee to which state and south-wide Baptist secretaries, the heads of Convention agencies and editors of the various Baptist state papers had been invited. Ordinarily a meeting of the SBC would have taxed to capacity the largest auditorium in any southern city you could name. This week's meeting was adequately handled in a small auditorium in the new home of the Sunday School Board. Familiar Convention figures were, however, much in evidence—Wing-Collared Pat M. Neff, former governor of Texas, president of Baylor University and president of the SBC; Dr. Chas. E. Maddry, the statement secretary of the Foreign Mission Board; Dr. J. B. Lawrence, tireless crusader for Home Missions, and many others. Reports which would have been submitted for adoption at the Convention were merely received and authorized for publication for the information of the

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## Southern Baptists' Gifts To Bible Society Show Large Increase

(The following report was read by Rev. Francis C. Stifler, D.D., at the meeting of the Executive Committee of the S. B. C. at Nashville, Tenn., May 12. Baptists should be proud of this record.—Editor.)

In 1942 Southern Baptists began to take a leading part in the essential task of providing the Scriptures for mission work throughout the world. During that year, Baptist churches in the Southland greatly increased their gifts to the American Bible Society for its non-profit missionary work of translation, publication and world-wide distribution of the Scriptures in cooperation with the denominational mission boards.

Southern Baptist missionaries for many years have realized the indispensable service which the American Bible Society renders in supplying the Scriptures for their work. The missionary must have the Scriptures in the native language of the people. To reach men's hearts, the good news of Christ must speak to every man in his own tongue. On practically all the foreign mission fields of Southern Baptists, the American Bible Society serves as the principal source, and in many cases the only source, for the supply of the Scriptures in the language of the people.

Although the Society makes free



REV. FRANCIS C. STIFLER

gifts of Scriptures where circumstances require, most books are sold because people appreciate more and read with greater interest the books in which they make a personal investment. But most people living on the low income levels prevailing in mission lands are not able to pay even the production cost of a Gospel portion. So, on foreign mission fields, the Scriptures are regularly sold at less than cost, with the difference being met by continual gifts to the Bible Society from Bible-loving and mis-

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## Two Important Committees Meet D. A. McCall

### Mississippi Baptist Advisory Evangelistic Committee

At a very fine meeting of this committee in the Convention Board office, correspondence from Evangelist Hyman Appelman was read stating his intention of keeping his engagement with Mississippi Baptists in a statewide Evangelistic effort of twelve weeks duration from January 23d. It will be a program of carrying the Gospel to the people in a great State Mission (Judean effort). He will spend two weeks at each of six centers. In addition, for the first three days during each engagement, a Regional Evangelistic Conference will be held.

The committee suggested that all our Mississippi Baptist Churches have another "over-and-above" winter-time meeting immediately following the close of the Appelman campaign in that particular region.

The committee also decided to have the usual Evangelistic Conference.

Members present were: Drs. W. A. Bell, Jackson; Chester Quarles, Leland; George H. Gay, Okolona; E. L. Byrd, Holly Springs; R. A. Morris, Newton; H. G. West and John I. Hill.

### Stewardship Committee

At a meeting of this committee it

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CIRCULATION THIS WEEK, 32,136 — — A Gain Of 121 For The Week



## Sparks and Splinters

From the Baptist Message we learn that Elmer Davis, director of the War Information Office, Washington, D. C., is a Baptist. He was graduated from Franklin Baptist College in Indiana and later was a Rhodes scholar at the University of Oxford, England.

**Religious Herald (Va.):** Baptists have sometimes expressed the opinion that the denomination needed a bishop to appoint ministers to the churches after the plan of our Methodist friends. But hear what the Arkansas Methodist has to say on the subject: "With all of our boasted Methodist efficiency, we have a decided weakness in our method of appointing pastors to charges. Our weakness lies in our multiplicity of changes of pastors each year. . . . Methodism will never make the progress it should while our average length of pastorate is two years. Arguments against widespread moving this year are too numerous to mention. Among these many reasons this year for a more settled pastorate, one should be sufficient—a more effective, efficient, productive, stabilized ministry. In the Methodist church we have tried to solve too many of our problems by moving the preacher."

**Clear Creek church, Puckett, plans to observe Library Day on June 6.** On May 16, a service in honor of the men in the armed forces was largely attended, with an impressive program under the direction of a special committee.

**Natchez First Baptist Church has had 85 additions to its membership this year.** Attendance at the regular services has increased and offerings are larger than in the history of the church. Pastor W. A. Sullivan is in his eighteenth year.—Reporter.

**The Baptist Record is indebted to Mrs. Rosa Lang,** who has sent in a nice list of new subscribers for the Union church, Magnolia.

**From First Baptist Church, Pascagoula, a long list of additional subscribers on the EVERY FAMILY Plan** is an indication of how fast that church is adding new members.

**West Side church in Natchez is among those churches sending in numbers of additional subscribers on the EVERY FAMILY Plan** during the past few days. Maxine Jackson, church clerk, sent the list.

**First Baptist Church, Natchez, has organized a Brotherhood, and recently added a new Baptist Adult Union to their Training Union.**

**Clear Creek church, Puckett, lost a good member when Mrs. C. G. Boone passed away recently.** She was one of the best members and active workers.—R. H. Fitzgerald, pastor.

### HONOR ROLL

The churches listed below have agreed to contribute to the Now Club (or other object of their choice) the amount they would have given to pay their pastor's expenses to the Southern Baptist Convention.

The same is true of individuals listed below:

Duck Hill Baptist Church.  
Highland church, Meridian.  
First church, New Albany.  
Newton Baptist Church.  
Brookhaven church.  
Northside church, Jackson.  
Mt. Oral, Jones county.  
Sharon, Jones county.  
Davis Memorial, Jackson.  
Okolona.  
Flora Baptist Church.  
Sallis Baptist Church.  
A. L. Goodrich.  
D. A. McCall.  
E. C. Williams.  
A. J. Wilds.  
Fannie Traylor.  
Edwina Robinson.  
M. E. Perry.  
Bryan Simmons.  
J. R. G. Hewlett.  
Carolyn Madison.

Do your best for Blue Mountain in June.

During the seven months' pastorate of Dr. S. A. Murphy at Highland Heights church in Memphis there have been 221 additions, and the gifts have increased from \$325 per Sunday to \$800. This church has attained the second standard Sunday school in Memphis. He is leading in a revival at Southside church in Oklahoma City, with Pastor L. B. Cobb, through May 21.

**Dr. Charles H. Sears, general secretary of the New York City Baptist Mission Society,** died recently at the age of 72. He had been mission secretary for 40 years. He also had been general secretary of the Baptist Church Extension Society since 1918, was treasurer of the American Bible Union, a member of the board of directors of the New York Federation of Churches and a member of the research committee of the welfare council. Dr. Sears was a trustee of Colgate University.

**A woman in the midst of divorce proceedings** was complaining to a friend about the boring conferences she had to endure with lawyers. "Oh," said her friend, "don't talk to me about them! I've had so much trouble over my property that sometimes I wish my husband hadn't died!"—Walter Winchell.

**Last year, it is reported, the American Bible Society surpassed any other of the 108 years it has been serving the blind, in the number of bulky embossed books, in Braille and other systems, and in talking-book records for those who do not read with their fingers.**

**Alabama seems to like Mississippi pastors.** A little more than a year ago the Thirty-fifth Avenue church in Birmingham called Silas B. Cooper as pastor. A few months ago he entered the chaplaincy. They now have called Dr. Andrew (Andy) M. Tate. He was born at Rongtown, Miss., January 19, 1892, and was partly reared on a farm. He studied at Clinton, Miss., and while a student at Mississippi College he enlisted in the first World War, seeing a year's service in France, and earning a commission as first lieutenant. On September 8, 1917, he was married to Miss Ollie Sigrest. Upon his return from France he became pastor at Tribble, Ky. Later he accepted the pastorate of the First Baptist Church at Whitesburg, Ky., remaining there while he studied at Louisville. He received the degree of A.B. from the University of Louisville in 1931, his Ph.D. degree from the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in 1937. His pastorates have also been at Lebanon Junction, Ky., and Cartersville, Ga. His work in Birmingham starts off with encouraging prospects.

**President Raley, Oklahoma Baptist University,** told us a few days ago of an experience he had with one of the great business men of the nation, while attending a conference in Washington. After they had gone over some important matters and the conversation had turned into other channels, this great business man turned to Dr. Raley and said: "I am going to ask you a question which you may consider impertinent. You are a preacher. Would you mind telling me why you became a preacher?" Then Dr. Raley began with his childhood impressions and deepening convictions through the years that God wanted him to preach. The business man asked him, "Are you happy in your chosen work as a preacher?" "Yes." "If you had to make your choice again, would you choose to be a preacher?" "Yes." Then the business man sighed and said, "I would give anything in this world if I were in your place." Then Dr. Raley asked, "Are you not happy in your work?" He said, "No." "Why not?" Then the business man said, "When I was a boy I read the life of David Livingstone. I could not keep from crying as I read of his labors in Africa. I wanted to be a missionary, and I believe that I would have been happy if I had followed those early impressions and gone as a missionary." We wonder if there are not other men, leaders in other realms than spiritual, who have run away from the call of God to special service.—Baptist Messenger.

**At Enon church in Panola county good attendance** marked all services on Mother's Day and a special offering was made for the Orphanage. The church voted to have a Vacation Bible school conducted by Miss Nelle Taylor of Crowder.—Reporter.

**The Bay St. Louis Sunday school has a good per capita record in special Orphanage gifts in May,** with 35 present giving \$16.17.—W. W. Stockstill, superintendent.

**Miss Mattie C. Leatherwood underwent a major operation Monday morning, April 26.** She is in the Protestant Hospital at Nashville and is reported on the road to recovery.—Friends desiring to send her cards should address her at 2504 Belmont Boulevard.

**According to the Dallas News, the trustees of Baylor University** voted recently to annul the merger contract combining the Baylor College of Medicine with the Southwestern Medical Foundation. The Foundation insisted on its being non-sectarian, and the Baylor trustees desired to keep control of the school.—Baptist Messenger.

**Miss Eleanor O'Haven, who recently was appointed a missionary to Africa,** is a graduate of the Mather School of Nursing of the Southern Baptist Hospital, New Orleans.

**A class of student nurses will be admitted into the Mather School of Nursing, Southern Baptist Hospital, New Orleans, August 3rd.**

**Nineteen hundred and ninety-seven patients** were admitted to the Southern Baptist Hospital in February; and there were 271 emergency cases which were not admitted to beds. The capacity of the hospital is taxed every day.

**Please see the article in another place in The Baptist Record entitled, "How Do You Read The Baptist Record?"** We hope every reader will comply with the request in the article.

**Rev. Charles H. Skutt and Miss Wilma Louise Kennedy** were united in marriage May 15 at the home of the bride's parents near Pontotoc. Rev. Leroy Boland, brother-in-law of the bride, officiated. They will make their home at Skene where Rev. Skutt is pastor of the Baptist church.

**The revival at Mendenhall led by Dr. R. G. Lee** will begin on Sunday, May 30, instead of May 24. Services will be held at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.—C. C. Jones, pastor.

**A. L. O'Brian has just closed a good meeting** with F. O. Martin at Doddsville. Six additions were reported. Fine cooperation exists between pastor and people.

**Concerning the recent revival at Van Winkle Baptist Church, led by Chas. L. McKay, pastor of Temple Baptist Church, Ruston, La.,** Pastor R. S. Crawford reports fourteen additions to the church, twelve by baptism. The church was greatly blessed by this week of spiritual refreshment.

**James Thorn of Pricedale will assist Pastor J. O. Wood** in a revival at Centerville in Walthall county July 11-16. He will assist J. B. Perry at Bridge City church in Orange, Texas, June 13-20.

**Missionaries in Africa write: "Christmas Day! But how different. No caroling! No gifts! No Christmas tree! Instead, we had the opportunity of telling people the story of our Saviour's life. We went to Agboule, a village where no white person had been. It is a very small Yoruba village nine miles from Ilesha where there are only a few young Christians. Through contacts made by a pastor some interest had been aroused. With this beginning the pastor has done some good work, resulting in the beginning of a little church building."**

### Leesburg Church Adopts the EVERY FAMILY Plan

**Leesburg church, Rankin county, has joined the growing list of churches that have the EVERY FAMILY Plan.** Recently we had the following letter from Treasurer John Webb, telling us of this progressive move by Leesburg church:

"The Leesburg Baptist Church, under the leadership of Rev. R. M. Williams, established the budget system at the beginning of the associational year, October, 1942. From that time to the present the church has met all of its local expenses and paid forty dollars to the Cooperative Program. The church has recently voted to include the EVERY FAMILY Plan in its budget."

**Rankin county now has Record readers listed as follows:** BAREFOOT 11; Brandon 5; Brandon miscel. 2; BRIAR HILL 47; CATO 46; CLEAR BRANCH 41; Hickory Ridge 5; LEESBURG 47; MOUNTAIN CREEK 23; MT. PISGAH 38; OAKDALE 14; PEARSON 16; PELAHATCHIE 64; Puckett 13; STAR 49; STEEN'S CREEK 95; EAST SIDE 15; Galilee 3; UNION 30; RICHLAND 43; ANTIOCH 55; Liberty 1; MIZPAH 12; New Zion 2; COUNTY LINE 21.



## Mississippi Baptists

Your Secretary Says:

"LOVE NEVER FAILS." I Cor. 13:8b

"They... want everywhere preaching the Word." Acts 8:4.

Dr. J. B. Lawrence  
Baptist Home Mission Board  
Atlanta, Georgia

Dr. C. E. Maddry  
Baptist Foreign Mission Board  
Richmond, Virginia

Dear Brethren:

Congratulations! Mississippi Baptists generally join in the chorus of thanksgiving over complete debt retirement. They are happy to have had some part in it. We rejoice in your splendid leadership and in the fine services rendered by your co-workers.

In Mississippi, State Missions has had no indebtedness. Now we have the beautiful picture of State, Home, and Foreign Missions being debtless!

Now, for further advance along all lines!  
Blessings upon you.

Yours in service,

D. A. McCall.

### I

The Jackson postoffice has zoned the city of Jackson, giving each zone a number. They ask that the zone number be included in our address hereafter as follows: Mississippi Baptist Convention, Board, D. A. McCall, Executive Secretary-Treasurer, Box 530, Jackson, 105, Mississippi.

We retain our same box number "530." Please remember that 105 is our delivery section number and not our box number.

### II

The "School of Many Nations" lingers delightfully in our memory. Some fifteen nations were represented in the service of testimony and worship.

A Jew began with John 3:16.

An Italian from Italy sang "Look at Calvary."

A German woman testified that "Jesus Saves, Jesus Satisfies, Jesus Keeps." She then sang "Heartaches, Take Them All to Jesus."

An Arab from Jerusalem emphasized Matt. 6:33 and 11:28.

A Pole expressed his happiness and satisfaction in Jesus!

I Hollander quoted I John 5:12.

A Russian (Jew) gave Romans 1:16.

An Englishman sang, "You Cannot Hide from God."

A Syrian repeated John 1:12, and then on his violin played "He Lifted Me."

An Irish lassie quoted Rom. 6:23, and Eccl. 12:1, praising the prayers, life and love of her mother.

A Welchman said he would go home drunk and find his parents on their knees praying for him. He said he was going to Africa. After giving Romans 8:1-2, on his trombone he played, "All Because of Calvary."

A French girl sang, "I Belong to Him."

A Belgian said he was gambling, bootlegging, in a gang, killed a man, was jailed. His mother prayed. "God heard her. I heard her." Matt. 4:28. John 3:3-5. II Cor. 5:17. A quartette sang "Shall I Crucify My Saviour?"

An American emphasized John 3:3-7. Some eight persons asked for prayer. Possibly 200 stood saying, "Where He Leads Me I Will Follow."

An Indian said, "I have discarded tomahawks, bows and arrows, and use only the Sword of the Spirit."

"Transformed" and "America" were sung.

Each person had a Bible.

Is it too much to believe God may do for nations what He has done for their citizens?

### III

Should someone say of you, "Here is a child of God."

What would the hearers think of God, from seeing you?

A lady said of Elisha Gardner, "He made me think more of Jesus than any person I ever saw."

"Let others see Jesus in you,  
Let others see Jesus in you,  
Keep telling the story—  
Be faithful and true,  
Let others see Jesus in you."

### IV

There is no reason for anybody to be able to say in TRUTH, "All that parson is interested in is his salary."

There is little reason for any member to be able to say in TRUTH, "They just come to see me when they want money."

### V

Someone told a Methodist bishop he was going too fast. He replied, "I am not a brakeman. I am a fireman."

### VI

The Trinity in Redemption effort—  
God the Father working in salvation. God gives the love.

God the Son working in Salvation. Jesus gives the blood. His is the only pure blood.

God the Spirit working in Salvation. The Spirit gives the power.

### VII

Dr. Carroll is reported as saying, "Young man, I wouldn't send you to college. I would send you to hell for twenty-four hours and then you would come back a preacher."

Another says, "The only punishment Jesus mentioned other than hell was that of Matthew 18 upon those who cause 'these little ones to stumble.'"

### VIII

If you are at all interested in using object lessons you will find twenty helpfully arranged in a volume by McLean. Price 25c. It is a Zondervan book. The chapter topics give you an idea of the scope of the treatment. Some of them are: A Gospel Lesson From—Apples; a Boat; Clocks; A Glove; A Lamp; Nails; A Watermelon, etc.

### IX

DID YOU KNOW THAT—

When our Lord said "It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle, than for a rich man to enter the Kingdom of God" (Matthew 19:24) He was actually referring to the common darning needle? Some have supposed that "the eye of a needle" meant the very small cattle-gate sometimes found in the wall of a city, and that Christ was saying that as a camel would need to exert good effort to enter such a gate, so would it be with the rich man who wished to enter the Kingdom of God, but this is not so. The word for NEEDLE in the original language means a sewing or embroidery needle. The question arises in your mind: "How can anyone enter the Kingdom of God, then?" That's what the disciples thought, when they asked: "Who then can be saved?"

The answer is found in the next verse: "With men this is impossible; but with God all things are possible" (Matthew 19:26). There is nothing that any man can do to save himself. The rich man, with all his wealth, is no better off than the poor man; in fact, he is in the harder place, because his riches make him feel independent. He has no more chance of entering the kingdom than a camel does of going through the eye of a needle. Then it is impossible for him to do so. That's the idea, all right; it is impossible, without the power of God, but with God all things are possible. What we need to do is to trust Him and not ourselves.—Now.

### X

God's Warning to the Nations

"If thou turn away thy foot from the Sabbath, from doing thy pleasure on my holy day: and call the Sabbath a delight, holy unto the Lord, and shall honor Him, not doing thine own ways, nor finding thine own pleasure; then shalt thou delight thyself in the Lord; and I will cause thee to ride upon the high places of the earth." (Isaiah 58:13.)

### XI

A Thought For All Week

I need not wait for special times  
To speak to God in prayer,  
Nor do I always have to kneel

## A NEW HONOR ROLL

We have noted the Honor Roll of churches that are giving to the Now Club the equivalent of the pastor's expense to the Southern Baptist Convention, as an "over and above" gift. This is indeed an unselfish move and for the benefit of an unquestionably worthy cause. One wonders, though, if it is the wisest course. The pastor is by no means the only one who profits from his convention visits. The whole church is lifted by the challenge of the fresh enthusiasm and store of ideas he brings back. Indeed, the church that finds the pastor going flat on his preaching could do better than start hunting a new pastor—they could send their present one off to a rousing good religious gathering and give him an opportunity to re-stock his mental shelves with the latest and best that his contemporaries are thinking and talking about. Our church will give considerably more to the Now Club, the 100,000 Club and the Co-operative Program this year than last, but it will not do so by clipping the pastor's wings. I therefore wish to nominate Durant for a charter berth on a new Honor Roll of churches that have voted to allow their pastors the privilege of selecting some other gathering in lieu of the Southern Baptist Convention, which many of us feel was very unwisely canceled. If Legionnaires, brewers, insurance salesmen and church-unifiers need the mental tonic of a convention in 1943, surely the men we expect our members to listen to for the next fifty-two Sundays need to get out and lasso a few new thoughts. What say, brethren?

B. FRANK SMITH.

To feel that He is there.  
No matter what the time or place,  
I only need to see  
That God with all his perfect love  
Is here to care for me.

'Tis a blessed thing as on we tread  
In our path from day to day,  
We can cheer the heart or aid the step  
That is treading life's toilsome way;  
For the soul that gives is the soul that lives,  
And in bearing another's load,  
We lighten our own and shorten the way,  
And brighten the homeward road.—Now.

### XII

I Will Then Accept the Crown

Pharnaces, the son of Mithridates the Great, and ruler or one of the ancient Hellenistic states, once offered a crown to Caesar. At the same time Pharnaces was leading a rebellion against the emperor, so Caesar returned the crown to Pharnaces with this message: "Return to obedience first, and I will then accept the crown by way of recognition."

Men today are not unlike Pharnaces—they would pass out favors to God with one hand, while with the other they do things which dishonor His name. This is hypocrisy; and God hates it. First we must give ourselves to Him in obedience to His will, then He will receive our other gifts with joy.

"He that saith, I know Him and keepeth not His commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him." I John 2:4.

### XIII

If a man cannot be a Christian in the place where he is, he cannot be a Christian anywhere.

When Charles M. Schwab was 72 years old he was sued for a large sum of money. It was the kind of case most prominent men would have settled out of court to avoid publicity; but Mr. Schwab went through with it and won. Before he left the witness stand he asked and received permission to make a statement.

"I am an old man," he said, "and I want to say that 90 percent of my troubles have been due to my being good to other people. If you younger folk want to avoid trouble, be hard-boiled and say 'NO' to everybody. You will then walk through life unmolested, but"—and here the old-time smile lit up his face, "you will have to do without friends and you won't have much fun."—Now.

### XIV

Next-week we will list final reports from the Evangelistic Crusade. Brother Pastor, if you have a report to send in, do it NOW.

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Do your best for Blue Mountain in June.



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### GOVERNMENT FORCES US TO BUY WHISKEY

From the Jackson Daily News we learn that  
leaders purchased 2,400 pints of whiskey for use at  
the food conference at Hot Springs, Virginia. The  
article reads as follows:

Discussions of where the money came from to  
buy 2,400 pints of liquor for the Hot Springs, Va.,  
food conference brought up the question in debate  
Wednesday of whether any of the naval funds would  
go that route.

Members said no, and asserted the conference  
beverage was supplied by a special state depart-  
ment fund under direct control of the President.

We are opposed to any whiskey drinking, but we  
are bitterly opposed to any of our tax money being  
used to buy whiskey for anybody. Yet, according  
to the above paragraph, that is exactly what our  
government is doing. They are taking some of my  
tax money and some of your tax money and buying  
whiskey.

We understood that the Hot Springs meeting was  
to be a food conference and not a drinking bout.

If the delegates to this meeting feel that they  
must have whiskey they should provide it them-  
selves.

Christian people who deplore debauchery and  
despise drinking should not be forced by taxation  
to help buy whiskey for anybody.

### THE RESURRECTION OF JESUS CHRIST

Ordinarily, this editorial would have appeared  
in the issue of April 22, but we take no part or  
parcel in all the fable and furbelow about Holy  
Week and Holy Days. Easter Sunday is no holier  
than any other Sunday. All Sundays are holy to  
our God, and the mere fact that someone has de-  
nied himself for forty days before Easter is no  
reason or license for raising the devil or sowing  
wild oats the other 325 days of the year.

Our gospel includes the death and resurrection  
of Jesus Christ and without it we have no gospel.  
As the new-born babe is helpless without the pro-  
tecting care and perpetual oversight of a sacrific-  
ing mother; as helpless as a sailor on a sinking  
ship, miles from shore; as helpless as a giant under  
the influence of ether; as helpless as a maniac dar-  
ing to walk the waters of a mad ocean are we with  
a gospel without the death and resurrection of  
Jesus Christ. Not only is such a gospel helpless,  
but it is useless. A Christless gospel saves no  
sinners, reforms no drunkards, helps no harlots,  
rescues no revellers, makes no men, but rather  
leaves them Christless, Godless, unsaved and un-  
regenerated.

As the peerless Paul, hounded, harassed and  
hated, declared: "If Christ be not risen, then is our  
preaching vain and your faith also is vain." As the

light is dependent upon the sun, and the rain upon  
the water, and the body upon food, and life upon  
blood, so is our gospel dependent upon the resur-  
rection of Jesus Christ.

If there were no death there could be no resur-  
rection. He was condemned by Pilate at the  
instigation of bloodthirsty, brutal, bigoted, bitter,  
boastful, butchering Jews who would rather see an  
innocent man murdered than to have one of their  
pet theories exploded.

At the demand of the Jews He was sentenced to  
death by crucifixion, carried to Golgotha and  
there suspended between the heaven and the earth,  
and flanked on each side by captive convicted rob-  
bers as a further sneer at His claims of diety. After  
hours of agony and abuse, to be certain that their  
devilish design had been accomplished, a spear  
was thrust into His side that there might be no  
doubt of His death. Thus by the authority of the  
Roman governor, at the request of the Jews and in  
the presence of the assembled multitude our Lord  
and our Savior gave His life a ransom for the  
many, that all who believe should not perish but  
should have everlasting life.

Now that He is dead, Joseph comes requesting  
the body that he might give it a decent burial.  
And on the scene we find Nicodemus who had once  
conversed with Him by night, now seeking Him by  
day, that he might anoint His precious body for  
burial. Into that new-made grave of stone wherein  
no man had yet been laid they carried the Master.  
But just as in this life, our enemies seek us when  
dead, desiring still to harm us, so His enemies  
afraid that His friends might steal away the body,  
placed upon the stone that guarded the gate of the  
tomb the seal of the imperial Roman government,  
the proud possessor of most of the known world,  
the embodiment of power. Death was the only  
penalty known for the breaking of that seal. But  
to guarantee further that no vandals should violate  
the grave, a guard of soldiers was placed there to  
insure that His body should not arise from that  
grave.

But lo! when Sunday morning has come that  
body is gone. Just two things could have hap-  
pened. It was either stolen or He AROSE.

If stolen, who would have or who could have?  
Do you say, "The disciples"? What a slander you  
put upon the soldiers. Well might we believe that  
one soldier should sleep on guard, but not the  
whole group. And if stolen, why was no reward  
offered for the discovery of the robber? Why was  
he not arrested when he appeared? Why was he  
not branded as an imposter? Why were the apos-  
tles allowed publicly to preach the resurrection?  
Boldly, might we say with reverence and sympathy,  
brazenly they preached it, yes beautifully, bravely,  
did they proclaim to all that He arose and was now  
the Savior of all who would believe.

Not only did the apostles preach the resurrec-  
tion, but many witnesses gladly, gloriously, gal-  
lantly proclaimed His resurrection, not from hear-  
say but from eyesight.

Mary, thou who loved Him so, who could forget  
the busy cares of a household for the distinguished  
visitor, tell us if you saw the Master after His  
death. How her face would shine as she says, "I  
have seen the Lord and how that He said these  
things."

Peter, he who could defy an army one moment  
and cringe in the presence of a maid the next;  
whose faith should be the foundation for the  
church one day and whose temptation should cast  
shadows on Christ's face the next; who impetu-  
ously would dare to walk on water one day and  
later fear to follow the footsteps of the Master, tell

us, did you see Him? Hear him as he says, "Yes,  
I saw Him, I sat at meat with Him, I heard His  
voice, I saw Thomas as he touched the spear scar  
in His side. I obeyed His command to cast again  
my net and behold it was full of fish."

Let us call the angels—a committee from heaven  
—who stood upon sacred Mount Olivet and pro-  
claimed to the astonished and anguished apostles  
the glorious, gladsome news that the Savior would  
return. Hear them proclaim the heavenly message,  
"Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into  
heaven? This same Jesus, which is taken up from  
you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as  
ye have seen Him go into heaven."

Paul, thou who wast willing to sacrifice home,  
family, position, prestige, power; thou who didst  
endure the lictor's rod, the mob's revenge, the  
jailor's jeers, and gladly would have been a curse  
could it have meant salvation to thy people, tell us  
did He arise?

Hear his majestic reply, "Who was delivered for  
our offences and was RAISED AGAIN for our  
justification."

Would space permit, many other witnesses could  
be produced who would gladly testify to the truth  
of the resurrection.

Let us also remember that there was no induce-  
ment on the part of the disciples to lie about the  
matter even had they been so disposed. Taken  
from all walks of life, with faith as little as some  
of ours, there was no reason for falsity. It was not  
to their interest to misrepresent the matter. For,  
it meant poverty, yea, to some of them it spelled  
death. Destitution was in store for others, and  
scorn stared them in the face at every turn. Nor  
was it to their honor. For so little was their faith  
and confidence in His words, that on one occasion  
He found them deserting their calling to go back to  
their old vocation of fishing, not for men but for  
fish.

In Jerusalem, where the resurrection occurred,  
where the Master's dastardly murder was per-  
petrated, and where the feeling was so bitter, lit-  
erally thousands believed it, and believed it so  
strongly that later they were thrust forth from  
their homes as the Jews thought to stamp out the  
new belief, but God provided that they might go  
"everywhere preaching the word."

"HE AROSE."

—BR—

### OUR SELECTED EDITORIAL

Each week we will publish what we consider one of the  
best editorials coming to our attention.—Editor.

#### CAN YOU WONDER WHY?

The cry about juvenile delinquency grows more  
vociferous with the passing days. City councils  
are, in some cases, "holding their ears" because of  
it. Curfews are being tried in some places and  
other remedial methods are advocated. The new  
juvenile court judge of Louisville recently held a  
conference with ministers and social welfare  
workers on the subject. And here and there a  
few wise souls speak out and tell us the cause of  
it. Until that cause is removed and a generation  
of children are brought to us freed from it, we  
can only attack the disease. Look at these facts  
and you can understand better why your children  
are running away from control. In 1900 seventy  
percent of the copy in the public school primers  
(first readers) had either a direct scriptural basis  
or a religious inference. Today for the same age  
group the readers contain about three percent such  
materials. Fifty years ago, a person applying for  
the position of public school teacher had very little  
chance anywhere to be elected if he engaged in  
public dancing, card-playing and Sunday desecra-  
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## Our Contributed Editorial

BY INVITATION OF THE EDITOR

By this means we hope to give our readers a cross section of Mississippi Baptist thought.

### FACING THE FUTURE

The future is always as interesting to most of us as it is uncertain to all of us, so far as knowing how much of the future is to be spent here in this world and how much is to be spent beyond the portals of physical death. In regard to the future, we can always be sure that God punishes sin, that He forgives the repentant sinner, and that He takes care of His own. There are certain things this writer believes the future holds for those who remain here on this sphere for a few decades more.

It seems that we are to be brought face to face with a future of spiritual opportunities when this present war shall have ended. The opportunities, as always, will be fraught with many difficulties, but the opportunities will be no less real. Germany, Japan, Italy and Russia will likely be physically and economically prostrate and in such a condition generally that those in authority will be glad to allow the peoples of these nations to hear, believe and be loyal to the Gospel message. Our own nation and many of the other nations of the world will most likely have come to the place where they realize that there is no real peace apart from the "Prince of Peace." It is my frank opinion that the spiritual doors of the world are going to be wide open, but there are going to be many adversaries.

The future appears also to be one of mental perplexities when the minds of people are going to be confused as to just what is the wise thing in many instances, and when numbers will need to re-adjust their thinking processes. Some are making no distinction now between hating the deed of the enemy and hating the enemy, and some will need to remember that human life is not such a cheap thing after all. There will be business questions, social questions, racial questions, economic questions, educational questions, spiritual questions, and many other kinds of questions to be faced.

As we face the future, it appears too to be one of physical necessities. A sound spirit and a sound mind in a sound body has always been the mark of a fully developed individual. This will be especially needed. Many bodies will bear the effects of this terrible conflict in which we are now engaged, and many bodies will be subjected to uses which tend to destroy rather than to build up. Strong bodies harboring well trained minds working in harmony with spirits attuned to the Holy Spirit are going to be one of the tremendous needs.

The future we face will be apparently a future of financial uncertainties. So many people are saying we are going to have a terrible financial depression after this war, and a few are doubting the statement. The necessities of life for many, where to invest money, the financial structure in civic life, and many other questions in regard to things financial are going to have to be faced by the peoples of the world. A wise people will invest now for the future, will do everything possible to clear all of the churches and agencies of the churches from debt, and will always remember that God has rich blessings in store for those who honor Him with their material substance.—J. S. Riser, Jr., Memphis, Tenn.

—BR—

### OUR SELECTED EDITORIAL

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tion of any kind; and no chance at all if it was known that he used profanity or was a libertine. And fifty years ago a teacher who would not use the "rod" now and then was considered unfit for the average public school room, whereas today a teacher who switches a child is apt to be haled into court by irate, silly parents. You can not "bring up a child in the way it should go" unless you have over it some one who has been brought up in the way he should go!—Western Recorder.

—BR—

Star: Our Sunday school takes an offering once a month for the 100,000 Club. It has been averaging about \$27.00 per month. In addition to this, other organizations have taken certificates.—William A. Hogan, pastor.

## GOING PLACES

Our Text: 1 Timothy 4:13a and 15b: "Till I come, give attendance to reading—give thyself WHOLLY to them, that thy profiting may appear to ALL." Our Motto: "Ask the people, they'll subscribe."

### Coast Baptists on the March

Baptists at Bay St. Louis are on the march, and Pastor W. S. Allen is enthusiastic over the progress of this fine group. They have bought a lot for a new church building and pastor's home, looking toward the day when war will end, and normal life can be resumed. Additions to the church regularly and a healthy condition financially add to the joy of the pastor and the church leaders. This church is among the EVERY



W. S. ALLEN

FAMILY churches, and the pastor states that he believes the fact the people are keeping up with what is taking place in the Kingdom everywhere has challenged them to better things. The State Mission Board has helped this church in the past, and the people have fully justified the faith of others in them by their response.

Gulf coast Baptist Record readers are: LOG-TOWN 16; Pearlinton 1; BAY ST. LOUIS 14; Biloxi First 44; Gulfport 14; Mississippi City 1; PASS CHRISTIAN 31; BILOXI SECOND 21; Handsboro 2; WOOLMARKET 13; GRACE MEMORIAL 22; BOWEN MEMORIAL 30.

### Merigold

We appreciated the privilege of preaching the commencement sermon for Merigold High School. Services were held in the Baptist church, J. W. Sturdivant, pastor. A fine group of seniors, friends and the faculty greeted us.

The past year has been one of the best in the history of Merigold church. They have no debt and have helped to organize two new churches and aided in supporting a part-time missionary.

The recent revival resulted in 20 additions. C. C. Carraway of Boyle was the preacher and E. C. Edwards of Shuqualak was the singer. One old man, 86 years of age and a life long agnostic, was converted on Friday and buried on Monday.

Bolivar Record readers are now listed as follows: Benoit 3; BOYLE 65; CLEVELAND 150; DUNCAN 28; Gunnison 2; MERIGOLD 34; Morrison Chapel 6; Providence 11; ROSEDALE 25; Shaw 19; SHELBY 54; SHADY OAK 13; INTERSTATE 17; WAX-HAW 15; Stringtown 1; SKENE 40.

How, without our Baptist papers, would we know of many conquests in evangelistic arenas? How, without our Baptist papers, would we be able to put as effectively on the hearts of our people our denominational schools? How, without our Baptist papers, could we keep as loudly in the ears of our people the Macedonian cries? How, without the aid of our Baptist papers, could we keep as close to the ears of our people the orphans' cry and the wild wailings of a wicked world so in need of Christ? How, without the content of our Baptist papers, could we know as frequently what others are preaching in other pastorates and what others who "tarry by the stuff" are doing? How, without the aid of our Baptist papers, can we pull as hard at the purse strings and heartstrings of our people when our mission lines sag and missionaries are "faint yet pursuing"?—R. G. Lee in the November Baptist Training Union Magazine.

### TEN BEST BOOKS

Here are the ten books enjoyed most in 1942:

1. Christian Faith and the Spirit of the Age—McCartney.
2. The Riches of His Grace—Schmidt.
3. This is the Victory—Neatherhead.
4. Cross Destroyers—Schmidt.
5. The Place Where Thou Standest—Scherer.
6. Jesus As They Remembered Him—Quimby.
7. Prelude to Victory—Reston.
8. The Highway of God—Sackman.
9. Six Kings of the American Pulpit—McCartney.
10. Pilgrim's Progress—Bunyan.

I read the Bible and Pilgrim's Progress through yearly.—Mack Jones, Collins, Miss.

—BR—

### A LITTLE LESSON IN ENGLISH

ture, courtesy and manners seem to take a keen Many people unacquainted with Southern culture, delight in poking fun at Southerners for using the expression, "You all."

We are not posing as an authority but recently a typical Northerner wearing a Phi Beta Kappa key was introduced as "a brilliant young journalist, a brilliant student and one destined to go places in religious journalism."

He began his address by saying, "I am sure YOU ALL," etc.

—BR—

The Catholic Digest says that the work of Protestant missions in Latin America is "a work of pure destruction" and violates our Good Neighbor Policy. How would it do for Protestants and Catholics to make a trade? If Protestants withdraw from South American, will Catholics withdraw from North America? No, the Roman Catholic policy is to enter all lands and to keep as many as possible for themselves alone.—Watchman.

The Baptist Record appreciates an invitation to attend the graduating exercises of the Southern Baptist Hospital School of Nursing. The program took place at Napoleon Avenue Baptist Church, New Orleans, Louisiana, on Tuesday, May 18.

—BR—

Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas, not only reached its goal of \$100,000 additional endowment, but exceeded it by \$14,000.

Rev. A. L. Kirkwood has resigned the pastorate of the Valence Street church, New Orleans, to become superintendent of missions in that city. This work is under the auspices of the Home Mission Board.—Baptist Message.

Chaplain N. B. Saucier, Camp Hyder, Arizona, sends his renewal and says: "I always enjoy the Record. We are having a good response to our religious programs. We had a lovely Mother's Day service."

—BR—

Do your best for Blue Mountain in June.

### DENOMINATIONAL CALENDAR

#### May

- Evangelism.
- Cooperative Program.
- Pay off State Debts (Now Club).
- Hospital Day.
- Association Elimination Contests in B. T. U.
- Vacation Bible Schools.
- Tithes and Offerings According to the Scriptures.
- Blue Mountain Endowment.

#### JUNE

- Evangelism.
- Cooperative Program Causes.
- Now Club (Five Thousand Club).
- Vacation Bible Schools.
- Christian Education Day.
- Camps for Young People.
- Ridgecrest Y. W. A. Camp.
- W. M. U. Family Day—Have All Young People as Guests of W. M. U.
- Send Reports.
- District Training Union Conventions.
- Vacation Bible Schools; Christian Education.
- Tithes and Offerings According to the Scriptures.



# Mississippi Woman's Missionary Union

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Roanoke, Alabama  
May 6, 1943.

Dear W. M. U. Friends of Mississippi:

You who promised to help put the "O" in "VICTORY":

That was the promise you made through your representatives at the annual meeting of Woman's Missionary Union in San Antonio last May, and that promise was based on the amount your State W. M. U. had already pledged as its minimum quota for the clearance of southwide debts.

Probably you already know about the demonstration put on at San Antonio featuring our efforts to raise a million dollars for Southwide debts. The victorious accomplishment of this effort being our determined goal, the word "VICTORY," in letters three feet high, was on a frame on the platform. It was announced that each inch of those letters represented \$2,096.00; and that to write all of them in gold would require one million dollars.

At that time, the "V" and the "I" and part of the "C" had already been redeemed in gold, and the other letters were in "Union purple," which was declared to be "as good as gold."

Then the value of each remaining letter was announced and the states, by groups, pledged that all those letters should be turned to gold as speedily as possible.

"C" is to be compelled by Arkansas, Illinois, Maryland and Missouri; \$67,740.00 being necessary to do this. Constrained by the love of Christ, they will not fail Him.

"T's" approximate value is \$115,280.00. To the District of Columbia, New Mexico, North Carolina and Tennessee were entrusted this letter, and they will be true to the trust.

"O" will require \$180,256.00, and the outstanding states of Georgia, Mississippi and Texas have guaranteed the gold needed for the "O."

"R," the most costly letter, will require \$194,928.00; but we need not worry, for the reliable states of Alabama, Florida, Kentucky, South Carolina and Virginia will write the "R" in gold, gratefully remembering the Redeemer.

"Y" will need \$123,605.00. Arizona, Louisiana and Oklahoma have joyously assumed responsibility for approximately \$60,000.00.

Thus it is apparent that a little more than \$63,000.00 has not been covered by state pledges; and is, therefore, the responsibility of the entire Union.

As was said in the beginning, the Union is depending on your state and Texas and Georgia to put the "O" in "VICTORY."

In 1942, you and your partner-states paid \$85,340.09 of the \$180,256.00 necessary to do this, thus leaving \$94,915.91 to be raised. How soon can this be done? Sooner than we think, IF we would give ourselves wholeheartedly to the task and our money sacrificially.

At this time, our government is entering upon what is said to be the greatest financial "drive" in history—the raising of thirteen billion dollars, through the purchase of victory bonds, for the prosecution of this war for freedom and justice. On one of the recent posters is Uncle Sam with those piercing eyes staring straight at you, while he is saying: "I am only asking you for a loan." Then, as he points to the picture of a soldier, he adds: "He is giving his life."

Alongside that thirteen billions, how paltry seems the sum of \$636,998.09, the amount yet to be raised by Southern Baptists to be "debt-free" in '43.

Our Lord and King is saying to us: "From that which I have given you, I am only asking for a loan, for all that you invest with ME will be repaid a hundred fold. Remember, I gave my life—yea, my soul as an offering for yours."

God help us to respond worthily to His call.

Yours for a debtless denomination,  
More earnestly than ever,

ALMA WRIGHT.

Ridgecrest Y. W. A. Camp—June 17-24

By Juliette Mather

"To attempt to hold a conference at this stage in the country's history may appear unseemly, stupid or foolhardy. We beg to differ and to urge the importance of this conference and of attendance at it. We are convinced of the urgent necessity of young people thinking now about the meaning of the world crisis. Action is needed now and this is not an attempt to provide a refuge from action. But action without thought can be as empty as words without thought. We cannot escape our responsibility to think even under the stress of war. The conference will be held. Study and recreation, worship and hilarity will go hand in hand to make one complete whole."

The above actual quotation regarding New Zealand summer conference expresses our sentiment regarding Young Woman's Auxiliary Camp.

### Theme—Building On Undergirding Loyalties

While the world quivers with the shocks of war, young women must be preparing to build a better world out of the wreckage. We shall build well only when we build anew on the loyalties which remain unshaken in the midst of war and destruction. Missionaries who have seen the rubble following bombings know that love and brotherhood and Christian truths are never crushed by such attacks. At Y. W. A. Camp they will share with us their discoveries of loyalties that must undergird our tomorrows.

### Ridgecrest Y. W. A. Camp

A word from Miss Edwina Robinson, Young People's secretary:

NOTICE CHANGE: Leave TUESDAY (June 15) instead of Wednesday.

You have already been sent a sheet of information concerning plans, cost, etc., but this is for those who are making definite plans to attend!

1. Send me name, address and \$2.00 (registration fee) for each girl planning to attend  
NOT LATER than June 5

2. Tell me where you plan to board the bus. We travel via Tri-State Bus to Winona, Columbus, Birmingham (thence to Chattanooga, Asheville, etc.). Buy your round-trip ticket from the point you get on the bus.

Leave Jackson, 7:00 a. m. (June 15th).

Winona, 10:15 a. m.

Columbus, 1:45 p. m.

Birmingham, 5:45 p. m.

Chattanooga, 4:30 p. m. (leave 7 a. m.).

### An Echo From G. A. Focus Week

We have just finished our G. A. Focus Week with good results. Sunday night six of our girls were baptized. Monday the G. A.'s divided into groups and visited the five W. M. S. circles, each giving a mission story and prayer.

Tuesday we had our regular meeting. Wednesday night we gave the pantomime, "We've a Story to Tell to the Nations" at prayer meeting. Thursday I taught and demonstrated a mission study book. Friday we had a picnic from 6 to 8 and after games and songs, a vesper service. Saturday we did Community Missions work and worked on our Forward Steps. We will have a Princess at camp this time. Sunday we 22 girls sat in a body in church service. I hope to bring 18 girls to camp this summer.

MRS. E. B. THOMAS,  
Jr. G. A. Counselor, Aberdeen, Miss.

We have had such wholesome reports from the Y. W. A. at Grenada. Back in February they made a real feature of installing the officers, giving each officer a symbol of the duties of her office. Consequently, the work is growing in their hands.

Out of an enrollment of 16 members, they have

13 subscriptions to The Window of Y. W. A. There are two sets of sisters in this group, so that leaves only one girl without her copy of The Window of Y. W. A.

### District Three Take Note

Mrs. E. A. Pryor was elected Young People's counselor for this district at the State W. M. U. Convention in the place of Mrs. W. W. Gunn, who could not serve longer. Mrs. Pryor has proved her interest in the Young People by serving as Young People's director of the W. M. U. and Y. W. A. counselor of her local church. Since January 1st, under her leadership and the splendid cooperation of her counselors the Young People's work has been making steady progress. All the organizations have been meeting together at the church each Friday afternoon, having an opening assembly, after which each organization meets separately for its regular program. The enrollment has reached around 90 and the average attendance for the month of February was 84. Each organization observed the Home Mission Season of Prayer with a total offering from the Young People of \$25.00.

The light that shines brightest at home shines farthest away. The Young People of the third district will find Mrs. Pryor ready to help them solve some of their problems.

### BIBLES FOR PRISONERS AND LATIN-AMERICA

The tremendous needs at home did not blind the American Bible Society to the even greater need abroad. Hundreds of thousands of Bibles, Testaments, and Gospel portions were distributed in twenty different languages to prisoners of war languishing in enemy territory.

It was difficult to get shipments through to Latin-America during 1942, due to lack of transportation, but the society's report shows that the circulation in our sister republics to the south was one of the greatest years since 1864 when the work began there; and that the agents' shelves were empty, for the most part, long before the year was out, so eager are our Latin neighbors to own and possess the Bible.

To the society's work in China hostilities brought severe limitations. Advanced supplies to the extent of 10,000 copies were being prepared in India for the day when the Burma Road should reopen. The Bible House in Chungking, in spite of bombings all about it, still stands and dispenses Scriptures to all who come.

The Chicago Daily News roto-gravure section of February 21 carried a full-page spread with pictures of the Greek Orthodox Catholic church in the city. Pictures showing one of the beautiful church buildings, a wedding service, and other interesting phases of the church work were shown and a picture of the immersion of a six-months-old baby, with this sub-title, "Nicholas Episcopo, about six months old, is christened in the tradition of the Eastern Orthodox Church which, through the centuries, has adhered to baptism by immersion." Yet some pseudo-Baptists try to prove that sprinkling was the original form!—Western Recorder.

Governor Colgate W. Darden, Jr., of Virginia deserves the praise of every good citizen of the nation for letting the liquor-drinking politicians of Washington City know that when they go to Hot Springs, Va., for the United Nations Food Conference they must abide by the laws of the Old Dominion regarding the use of alcoholic beverages. It took courage to say to them, "The laws of Virginia are going to have pains-taking enforcement at my hands, and if the state department thinks it's going to ship in a lot of liquor, it's mistaken."—Western Recorder.

Do your best for Blue Mountain in June.



## Touching The Bases

By Fred R. Langley  
Soldiers, Sailors, Defense Projects Service

**CORRECTION:** Last week some information concerning Chaplain Orvil T. Unger of the Station Hospital, Gulfport, was incorrect. He was a Baptist pastor in Blue Springs, Missouri, not in Kansas. He is a member of the Southern Baptist Convention and not the Northern Baptist. Further information not given is that he attended William Jewell College, which is Southern Baptist. He also attended the Central Baptist Seminary in Kansas City, which is Northern Baptist. Chaplain Unger's application was approved by the Army and Navy Committee on Chaplains of the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board, headed by Dr. Alfred Carpenter. With such a record perhaps we are excusable, Chaplain.

**SILVER STARS:** Occasionally reports come in that stores in some areas are selling silver stars for service flags. These stars are supposed to indicate that the person in the armed forces is serving overseas. There is no authorization from the War Department for the use of such stars. The only stars authorized are the blue and gold and all are familiar with the use of these two symbols.

**TESTAMENTS—**When you know of a young man or woman entering the service who does not possess a pocket size New Testament, it will be a pleasure for this department to send your pastor one to present to such an individual. "Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his way? by taking heed thereto according to thy word." Ps. 119:9.

**VISITING CHAPLAINS:** Sometimes on our trips to the military camps in Mississippi we fail to contact the chaplain. Many reasons can be given for this failure, but chiefly it is because the chaplain is away on duty or leave. Twice at Camp Shelby we tried to see Lieut. Colonel James H. Faulkner, chaplain of the 31st Division (D. D.) and failed. This delayed visit was made on Capitol Street in Jackson recently. "Chaplain Jimmie" was pastor of the First Christian Church in Jackson a few years ago.

**GREENWOOD:** There is bus service from Greenwood to the Army Base, according to Chaplain A. H. Northrop. It is scheduled to run each hour on the hour. Chaplain Northrop preached in Calvary Baptist Church for Rev. Otho Eure, who recently entered the Army Chaplain Corps.

**COLUMBUS ARMY FLYING SCHOOL:** This department extends congratulations to Chaplain J. E. Wiford of the Army Air Corps on his promotion to major.

### DISCIPLES LAUNCH NATIONWIDE PROGRAM TO CURB DELINQUENCY

Indianapolis, Ind.—(RNS)—In an effort to curb the rise in juvenile delinquency, churches of the Disciples of Christ are launching a nationwide program of education, beginning with parents.

Plans are now under way for an extensive home visitation program to begin this fall which will advocate grace at meal time; regular Bible reading and prayer; having a quiet place as an altar for individual use; subscribing for and using a church paper; subscribing for and using a periodical on family life; planning together in family council; all sharing in home work and play; regular attendance at Sunday school and church; financial support of Christian work at home and abroad; enlisting and helping other families in similar activities.

The home visitation plan will be especially followed in war industry and camp communities.

Special conferences and discussion groups for parents will be arranged, and family units will be asked to participate in various activities.

Do your best for Blue Mountain in June.



Many of our homes are making a real sacrifice for home, and flag, and country.  
His best blessing upon you and yours.

Psalms 121 — John 14

"THERE IS NO LAND LIKE MY LAND"

"There is no land like my land beneath the shining sun,  
There is no flag like my flag in all the world, not one.  
One land, one tongue, one people, and one flag, loyal and true;  
And no red shall wave o'er my fair land,  
Without the white and blue.

"There is grandeur in my land's mountains  
There is contentment in her vales,  
There's wealth in her broad prairies,  
And there's freedom in her gales.  
In my land all men are equal,  
And her flag proclaims it, too,  
And no red shall wave o'er that fair land  
Without the white and blue.

"There is majesty in Old Glory;  
There is hope in each stripe and star;  
It heralds freedom and liberty,  
To nations near and far.  
And, unsullied, triumphant, glorified,  
It floats anew, and by the Eternal God,  
No red shall wave o'er my fair land,  
Without the white and blue."

D. A. (SCOTCHIE) McCALL,  
Jackson, Mississippi.

### BRITISH CHURCHES IN WARTIME

A. L. Goodrich

"The church in England is now going to the people," said Rev. Harold A. Cockburn, who is connected with the British Information Service, in an address to the Associated Church Press at its recent meeting in New York. He said that factories have their chaplains who hold services at odd hours in an effort to have some service at a convenient hour for everybody. Chaplains are being appointed to schools and all schools open with daily Scripture reading and prayer. The writer was ashamed to tell him that many Mississippi schools did not have daily Scripture reading and prayer. Dr. Cockburn also emphasized the fact that once a month the schools marched (on school time) to church for a religious service. In addition there is a 45-minute Bible study period in each school daily.

Sunday schools in America are taken more seriously than in England, according to Dr. Cockburn. He also said, "Your religious magazines and church papers are far ahead of us in England."

"Three thousand British churches of all denominations have been bombed," he said, "but this includes slightly damaged as well as totally destroyed churches. Four-fifths of all London houses have been bombed and one-fifth of all British homes have been bombed."

Discussing war work he said that everybody 15 years old or older was in war duty of some kind. He, himself, in addition to his pastoral duties, serves as a watcher (watching for airplanes) two nights a week from 11:00 p. m. until 3:00 a. m.

We have just read that George H. Mosley has resigned the work at Providence church in Carroll county and is now pastor at Napoleonville, Louisiana. This is the first and only Baptist church to be organized in Assumption parish. It was organized by Fred Mosley, who is now pastor at Plaquemine. They have erected a church building at Napoleonville and plan to dedicate it very soon.

## NOW CLUB

DOUBLING THE FIVE THOUSAND CLUB  
A DEBTLESS DENOMINATION BEFORE 1945

HONESTY • LOYALTY • VICTORY

### I LAST CALL

Next Tuesday we begin writing checks covering the \$127,500 bonds called. This saves us over \$80,000 interest charges.

May we sympathetically ask, Do you and your church have all the money in for that call that you might have? It is your business! It is the KING'S BUSINESS! Let us support it worthily!

We need all dollars possible the first few days of June. On receipts the first days of June will depend the amount, if any, we borrow from the banks! Baptists in Mississippi have enough of the Lord's money if sent in, that we would not have to borrow any!

### II

Mississippi Baptists appreciate our bond holders. They made it possible for us to advance in Christian Education. For the most part these bond holders have been among the best supporters of our work. They have given this office good co-operation. His best blessings upon them! Numbers 6:24-26.

### III

#### Mississippi Baptist Debt Paying

From a study of the new Now Club tract it will be seen that Mississippi Baptists had outstanding Education Commission bonds in the amount of \$542,400 in 1939. (In addition there was a deficit of several thousand dollars which we do not here list.) If we recall correctly our peak bonded indebtedness stood around \$650,000, at one time.

We paid \$12,500 principal plus interest charges and the balance stood at \$529,900 in 1940.

Again we paid \$12,500 principal plus interest charges and the balance stood at \$517,400 in 1941.

We have taken a year launching the NOW CLUB. At times four men were in the field. At other times two men were afield. Little momentum had been gained as the above balance shows.

We planned and put on the intensive six months' campaign. Results: We paid \$147,900 on the principal plus interest charges. Balance—1942—\$369,500.

We paid an additional \$85,000 and the first of this year the balance came down to \$284,000. It stands there now! We had saved over \$75,000 in interest in these initial bond calls.

NOW, we have called \$127,500 more bonds for June 1st. We save over \$80,000 interest charges in this single bond call.

WE COUNT UPON EVERY MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST AND EVERY MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST CHURCH TO HELP MAKE THIS CALL SUCCESSFUL. Send your money NOW!

### IV

Mr. W. C. Sullivan, Now Club chairman, Calvary, Jackson, now in the South Pacific in Uncle Sam's service, sends home a large offering for the work of our Lord. Included in this is a year's advance payment on his Now Club subscription. DOXOLOGY!

How some homefolks can remain inactive and indifferent in the face of such spiritual interest is beyond our understanding.

Private John P. Buckley, Prentiss, writes in signing the Saturday Night Prayer Covenant. It seems certain that some of the Lord's chosen are in the service of our country. Yes, many of them! DOXOLOGY again!

### BR

Stockholm (By Wireless—RNS)—A Swedish missionary who has returned from a visit to prison camps in Finland reports that twenty-five per cent of the Russian prisoners are "positive Christians," while many others show a deep interest in religion. The war has increased the longing for religion among the Russian people, and definite spiritual awakenings have been reported in many Russian communities, the Swedish clergyman said.



## DEER CREEK ADOPTS UNIFIED PROGRAM

The Deer Creek Associational Training Union met in the Hollandale Baptist Church last Sunday afternoon at 2:30 at which time contestants were chosen to represent this association at the district meeting at Moorhead on June 23.

A fine program was enjoyed which consisted of contests in the Young People's Intermediate, Junior and Story Hour Departments.

In this meeting the pastors, through the association moderator, Rev. J. B. Smith, presented a program of Evangelization for Deer Creek.

This program was along the correlated or perennial plans, calling for a monthly meeting of the forces of our churches. This meeting being given to the B. T. U. who furnished the program. The June meeting, on the fourth Sunday, the associational Sunday school will be in charge. The July meeting, the W. M. U. in charge, and it will be their regular July week-day meeting to which the other organizations will be welcome.

This program was unanimously adopted by the representative group representing the different organizations.

It is hoped that a strong Brotherhood organization can be built up through these combined efforts.—J. R. Eubanks, associational B. T. U. director.

—BR—

We rejoice to report that Miss F. Catharine Bryan, following an operation in the Baptist Hospital in Atlanta, Georgia, has recovered and returned to her home in that city.

Advice from one church says that the board of deacons voted to give the entire collection, which averages about \$450 per Sunday, for June 27 to the endowment fund, and with some "second-mile" gifts a total of \$700 was expected and perhaps \$1,000.

- (Q) What is the goal of the Blue Mountain College Endowment Campaign?
- (A) \$200,000.00 additional endowment for the College.
- (Q) How much of this has been obtained?
- (A) \$90,000.00 in cash, war savings bonds and stamps was obtained in the first phase of the campaign.
- (Q) When this additional \$200,000.00 has been obtained, how much endowment will Blue Mountain College have?
- (A) About \$500,000.00.
- (Q) Why should Blue Mountain have an endowment fund?
- (A) If it were not for income from endowment, the amount students would have to pay to cover tuition, college fees, and administrative expenses would be almost twice as much as it is now, and only girls in good financial circumstances could afford to go to college.
- (Q) What is an endowment fund?
- (A) An endowment fund is a sacred trust. It cannot be spent and will last forever. Only the interest the fund earns can be used and this is used for current expenses—faculty salaries and administrative expenses; thus enabling the student to attend college at considerably less cost to her.
- (Q) Is there any other reason why a college should have a minimum of \$500,000.00 endowment?
- (A) Yes. The Southern Association of Colleges, made up of the colleges themselves, requires a minimum

Other churches have voluntarily, without suggestion, given assurances that they plan to use as nuclei for their Blue Mountain offerings the amounts their pastors' expenses to the Southern Baptist Convention would have been.

Recent visitors to The Baptist Record office included: Frank E. Skilton, Blue Mountain; Rev. R. D. Pearson, Macon; Dr. R. C. Lowrey, Hattiesburg; Rev. Virgil Ratliff, Crosby; Rev. W. H. Woods, Brandon; Rev. H. G. West, Ecru; Rev. R. A. Morris, Newton; Rev. C. J. Olander, Morgan City; Mrs. C. J. Olander, Morgan City; Dr. W. L. Holcomb, Prentiss; Rev. George Gay, Okolona.

Colby College, Maine, has called to its presidency Dr. J. S. Bixler, of the Harvard Divinity School. Dr. Bixler is not a Baptist, but a Congregationalist. The selection of Dr. Bixler as the head of Colby College is but another illustration of how rapidly the Baptists are losing the leadership and control of their own institutions. Not long ago, it was Brown University that we were discussing, and now it is Colby College. Ordinary people will wonder whether Baptists are no longer producing presidential timber. Have we not men in our denomination who could fill these positions and fill them quite as well as the men whom we bring in from other denominations?—Watchman-Examiner.

**Baptist opportunities in Colombia:** Encouraging news continues to come from our missionaries in Colombia. On Easter Sunday there were nearly five hundred people in Sunday school studying God's Word. In the evening fifteen were baptized and eighteen others (all adults but one) made public confession of Christ as their Saviour. Mr. Schweinsberg, in writing of their opportunities, says: "The opportunities are unlimited; it is just a matter of being physically unable to make the best of them."

Instead of complaining and casting reflections on the Southern Baptist Conventions for accepting "into its membership more than 30 Baptist churches in California which have always been Northern Baptist Convention territory," it might be more appropriate for you to ask why these churches wanted to leave the Northern Baptist Convention. As I understand the situation the Southern Baptist Convention had been in no big hurry about accepting them. They applied for membership a year or two ago. Besides, being Baptist churches they have the legitimate privilege of seeking membership in the convention of their choice. This is not the first time, if I recall correctly, that Baptist churches in allegedly Northern territory have applied for and been granted membership in the Southern Baptist Convention.—Rev. Ernest D. Miller, Swansea, Mass., in Missions.

**The New England Baptist Council,** held at Newton, Mass., strongly urged the churches of New England to look into the matter of the salary of their pastors. Many of these pastors are living on salaries which cannot support them decently and comfortably, and yet these pastors are going along doing a noble work without complaining. What is true in New England is true throughout the country. Baptists have no good way to settle these questions. In some respects, the democratic policy of our churches falls down, and then we need a bishop. Often, what is everybody's business is nobody's business.—Watchman-Examiner.

—BR—

Do your best for Blue Mountain in June.

## Now Is Blue Mountain Time

### A Catechism

endowment of \$500,000.00 of all members of the association which do not receive annual guaranteed sums from a sponsoring agency. The Southern Association of Colleges protects the students and the public academically, much like the American Medical Association and the American Bar Association protect the public medically and legally. If it were not for the standards set by the Southern Association of Colleges, the college issuing the prettiest catalogues might obtain the most students regardless of

Mississippi are asked to make an offering in June. The full-time churches will make their offering on June 27 and half-time and quarter-time churches on the Sundays they meet in June.

- (Q) Why in June?
- (A) Because June is designated as Christian Education Month by Southern Baptists.
- (Q) Will this be an intensive organized effort?
- (A) No, there will be no field men. The pastors will simply be asked to keep

#### HELP GET BLUE MOUNTAIN COLLEGE OUT OF THE FIELD

When we consider that less than one percent of the Baptists of the state have donated ninety thousand dollars to the endowment fund, we realize that the people COULD enable Blue Mountain to get out of the field next month by donating the balance of the \$200,000 in June. This would give such an impetus to Christian education in Mississippi as would make the ultimate benefit to the advancement of God's Kingdom incalculable.

No pressure methods will be used in completing the endowment. No paid men are in the field. Only free-will offerings are asked from the fifteen hundred churches in the state. The amount donated will be the result of a volunteer movement by the pastors, who will inform the people and present opportunities for the offerings in the churches, and a voluntary response by the people.

- the quality of work given.
- (Q) Is Blue Mountain College a member of the Southern Association of Colleges?
- (A) Yes, and also a member of the Association of American Colleges.
- (Q) Is Blue Mountain College accredited spiritually?
- (A) Yes, by the word of God which is its guide of faith and practice.
- (Q) What is the plan for the second phase of the Blue Mountain College Endowment Campaign?
- (A) All of the 1,500 Baptist churches in

the people informed and present the opportunity for a real offering in June.

- (Q) What preparation for the offering will be made?
- (Q) Literature will be sent to pastors and their leaders for distribution. Talks and announcements should be made by pastors and their leaders. Information will appear in The Baptist Record and the secular press. It is hoped that prayers for God's blessing on the offering be made in May and June in every

Rev. F. T. N. Woodward, one of the Southern Baptist missionaries who was interned in Canton, China, recently underwent a major operation in the Highland Baptist Hospital in Birmingham, Alabama. He is reported to be convalescing slowly.

From International News Service we learn that the executive committee of the National American Legion has selected Omaha, Neb., as the place where the national convention will be held this year. The Southern Baptist Convention was DEFERRED, but the National American Legion meets.

**First Baptist Church at Brookhaven** on a recent Sunday evening observed "Training Union Night," in which all B. T. U. workers and members were given special recognition and honor.

**The Universalist church at North Olmstead,** a suburb of Cleveland, holds an 8 o'clock service each Sunday morning for those who wish to use the day to work in their Victory Gardens. The worshippers come dressed for their gardening and after a brief worship service, with a sermon, are dismissed for the Sunday work. (Editor's note: The Bible says, "Remember the Sabbath day to keep

**General Giraud,** in discussing the causes of the fall of France before the German army, declares: "The corner saloon is king of all. The 40-hour week did not bring in anything more to the mother of the family because the breadwinner spent in two days twice as much as in one. The only result was that the drink sellers prospered."—Ex.

Some churches having surpluses in their treasuries expect to give a substantial part of such surpluses to the endowment fund as a nucleus for the offering the people will make individually.

Baptist church in Mississippi and in every Sunday school, Training Union and Woman's Missionary Society.

- (Q) Why ask Baptist churches to make an offering to Blue Mountain College Endowment?
- (A) Because Blue Mountain College is owned and controlled by Mississippi Baptists.
- (Q) Why is Blue Mountain engaging in a campaign now?
- (A) Blue Mountain was ready to launch its campaign on several different occasions, but each time at the request of the Mississippi Baptist Convention, Blue Mountain postponed its campaign in deference to cash campaigns, the Five Thousand Club, and the Now Club, which the Convention itself wanted to launch. Finally at Meridian in November, 1941, the Convention again authorized Blue Mountain to inaugurate its campaign within a year or two. It seems to be the consensus of opinion among Mississippi Baptists that, since Blue Mountain has postponed its campaign several times at the behest of the Convention it is now Blue Mountain's time—until the \$200,000.00 is obtained.
- (Q) If a slogan were desirable, what would be a good one to use?
- (A) "REMEMBER BLUE MOUNTAIN IN JUNE."

Many churches will give war bonds and war stamps. Many individuals will give war bonds or Baptist bonds.

Of course, the government will contribute to the endowment to the extent of exempting from taxation gifts of individuals up to fifteen per cent of their incomes.





PECAN GROVE CHURCH REORGANIZED

We are happy to report the closing of a fine meeting at Pecan Grove Baptist Church, three and one-half miles northeast of Ellisville. This church was organized about two years ago with seventeen members, but because they could not secure a regular pastor nor a suitable building, the work more or less died. So Brother Bruce Hilbun, our LeTourneau enlistment pastor, came to us for a two weeks' meeting. He found the church with just four or five members left



Pecan Grove Sunday school the third Sunday after reorganization.

and only one or two grown people among them. We were able to rent a dwelling and with the permission of the owner to remove the partitions. We borrowed song books and an organ and got Brother Silas B. Herrington to help with the singing. From the very beginning there was very much enthusiasm. The meeting resulted in fifty additions to the church, the electing of three deacons, three trustees, and officers and teachers for a well-organized Sunday school. A prayer meeting was started and the EVERY FAMILY Plan for The Baptist Record adopted. There was a large number who subscribed to tithing and the Lord's acre plan. Before the meeting was over, arrangements had been made to secure an old school building that can be moved and used as a church building for the duration. Total collections for the Cooperative Program, for the Now Club, and for a car break-down, amounted to more than \$75.00. Also about \$200 was subscribed for a new building.

Brother Hilbun is an unusual worker and preacher. He has come back to us for a school-house meeting at Ellisville Junction where there is a large territory without any kind of a church. Large numbers of adults were found who had not made a profession of Christ. They were so enthusiastic about a meeting that even some of the lost people were willing to go from house to house in the community and tell that a preacher was willing to come and preach to them the gospel of Jesus. The third night of the meeting there must have been fifteen or more hands lifted saying, "I am lost; please pray for me," most of them adults. This meeting will continue through a two weeks' period. Like communities all

Candidates and new members, Pecan Grove, and building used for meeting.

#### DR. HALL COMPLETES FIRST YEAR AT WOODVILLE

Dr. B. B. Hall closed his first year as pastor at Woodville, on May 1. Among the highlights of the past year are:

Salary increased by \$25 per month. Paid last note on Sunday school addition last week and burned the mortgage.

Congregations splendid. Sunday school attendance about equals resident church membership. Eight awaiting baptism.

Morale of church in every department excellent.

One of R. G. LeTourneau's Evangelistic teams will begin a union revival the first Sunday in July, all the churches cooperating.

B. B. HALL.

The Baptist Record in every home is an invaluable aid.

—BR—

Moorhead church took a forward step yesterday when it employed a secretary. She is Miss Rosa Bailey, a niece of Tom Bailey of Meridian. Miss Bailey has recently finished her junior college course here at Sunflower Junior College. Your editorials in the Record are getting better with each issue. Keep the good work up.—O. P. Moore, pastor.

Pastor J. W. Sturdivant of Merigold writes that a young soldier located at Greenville Air Base attended Sunday school at Morrison Chapel last Sunday. He requested that a written statement be sent to his home church in Pittsburgh, Penn. He has not missed a Sunday school service in 19 years. We Southerners should follow his example. There were two additions to the Morrison Chapel church Sunday.

Rev. W. A. Frye, native of Blue Mountain, former pastor at Pheba, and for the past year pastor at Barton, Alabama, has resigned in order to enter Southwestern Seminary at Fort Worth.

E. S. Collins, an Oregon lumber man, recently deceased, left an estate of \$8,500,000, one-third of which he bequeathed to the Methodist Board of Foreign Missions. L.

There were 215 additions to First church, Galveston, Texas, in a meeting in which Pastor H. L. Ficket was assisted by Evangelist Hyman Appel-man. L.

Dr. A. U. Boone recently preached a striking sermon on "Antique Furniture." These articles of furniture were named as: 1. The cradle. 2. The trundle bed. 3. The switch. 4. The family altar. L.

over the state will welcome this man of God and be thankful for the provision made by Mr. LeTourneau and the State Board. All pastors having knowledge of such needy communities may, to good advantage, use Brother Hilbun. He knows how, and is very anxious to be called upon.

Sincerely,

W. E. GREENE.



REV. B. H. BENTON

#### TAYLORSVILLE HAS EIGHTY TITHERS

Taylorsville Baptist Church has suffered as every other church in the loss of many of its young and most efficient leaders. Though in the face of this, the church has been steadily improving. We have eighty tithers and the number is growing. Usually you can measure the spiritual condition of a church by its works. Faith without works is dead. The allotment of the Now Club for our church was \$500 and in addition to that the church accepted another \$100. We are also expecting to pay more to missions this year than this church has ever paid in any previous year. Many improvements have been made including the redecoration of the church, construction of the baptistry, a new piano for the auditorium, and also the repairing of the pastor's home. We are expecting in the next few months to go to full time preaching.

This church is a member of the EVERY FAMILY Plan.—Reporter.

—BR—

#### J. M. YEAGER

Whereas the Drew community has lost a most valuable citizen and the Baptist church a faithful, devoted member in the sudden passing of J. M. Yeager, and whereas his pride in the program and progress of his church has been reflected in his faithful attendance upon the services of the church, and in his liberality, in the giving of his material substance to the support of the cause; and whereas his analytic mind and sound business judgment especially equipped him for long and valuable service as a member of the building and maintenance committee, and for efficient service in the capacity of church treasurer and finance committeeman, be it resolved that:

(1) We publicly express our gratitude for the efficiency, devotion, and faithfulness of our departed brother and co-worker.

(2) That we hereby acknowledge his death as a distinct loss to our community, to our church and its entire program, and that we recognize that this loss will greatly increase the duties, obligations and responsibilities of others in our midst, and

(3) Be it further resolved that this tribute be written in triplicate form and that copies be sent to The Baptist Record, another to his family, with the other copy becoming a part of the permanent records of the church in which he manifested an abiding interest.

Respectfully submitted,

DR. R. C. SMITH,

O. S. CROSTHWAIT,

D. B. SEALY,

F. C. BARNES, Chairman,

Committee on Resolutions,

Drew Baptist Church.

—BR—

What about the church member that goes to the show on Wednesday evening instead of prayer meeting? Can he be seeking first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness?

#### 25 YEARS AGO

Six were baptized at Yazoo City last week, making a total of 41 since Pastor J. H. Fuller began his work.

An interesting article by Mrs. A. J. Aven tells of her impressions of the Southern Baptist Convention at Hot Springs.

Representatives from the Second Baptist Church of Jackson went to Pocahontas and helped in the organization of a B. Y. P. U. of which Miss Mary Kadolie was elected president.

The B. Y. P. U. at Pascagoula recently had 13 new members join one Sunday evening.

Rev. H. N. Quisenberry preached at the Bailey Avenue church in Jackson, and three came for baptism and two by letter. Bro. Blass of Clinton is pastor.

There were 23 graduates at Mississippi College, including one young lady, Margaret Sharp. Dr. B. D. Grey preached the sermon for commencement, and also made the address presenting the portrait of Capt. W. T. Ratliff.

#### R. L. ULMER

Deacon R. L. Ulmer was born July 4, 1886, at Lake Como, Miss., and was killed at Meridian, April 4, 1943, when his car was struck by a Southern Railway train. He was converted and united with Union church in Perry county, Mississippi, in 1915. Soon thereafter, he was ordained a deacon. He moved to Meridian in 1925 and united with the Midway church where he served as a faithful member and loyal deacon until his death. He was considerate and cooperative with both pastor and members.

He was married in 1907 to Miss Ella Blackmon, who survives him, together with one daughter and two sons, the younger of whom is in the army. He was a valued employee of the Creosote Plant in Meridian for the past seventeen years.

Funeral services were held at the Midway church, conducted by the pastor assisted by Rev. Bernard McPheeters, a former pastor. A larger crowd and a greater profusion of flowers are seldom seen at a funeral. His burial was in the cemetery at Macedonia in Lauderdale county, where grave services were conducted by the Eastern Star and Masons, in which he held membership.

His pastor,

W. A. ROPER.

—BR—

I want to say a word about our chaplains. Besides the rites, the sacraments, and the services, they were asked, by the men, to help them solve their inner problems and doubts. The chaplains were splendid men, and were held in high regard. They were everywhere at once. They went wherever the other marines went, often in the front line of an attack. They carried the wounded and cared for them. They helped the surgeons. Some marines owe their lives to them.—Major General A. A. Vandergrift in The Churchman.

Stockholm (By Wireless)—Because of German military reverses, propaganda for the Nazi-sponsored religion has been stopped, according to the report of a well informed observer who has had recent contact with Germany.



## B.B.I. An Essential Industry

Every red blooded American is asking these days, "Where am I needed most?" Some types of work have been labeled by the government as essential, that is, necessary for our national safety and security. Every act and implication has been that those in authority consider the work of a religious school such as the Baptist Bible Institute to be essential. Priorities have been provided on materials necessary for operation and maintenance. Students and faculty have been exempt from military service. The Navy is now planning to send men to theological schools under its V-12 program to equip them for the chaplaincy.

These considerations have not been favors doled out but have been the recognition of the importance of a trained ministry. Well equipped ministers are needed at home during the war days. They will be needed even more during the difficult reconstruction days ahead when a permanent peace will be sought. Even provisions for the spiritual need of the men in service requires that theological schools continue to qualify men for the chaplaincy. Many B.B.I. graduates have gone and are going into the chaplaincy.

No man or woman whom God has called to definite Christian service should waver for one instant in the determination to prepare for that service. God's call takes precedence over the call of country, but now our nation is anxious lest there be too few well equipped servants of God. Does not the Naval program for training chaplains indicate that? It is imperative that churches which call ordination councils, and that officials of theological schools see to it that the ministry is no hiding place for slackers. It is just as imperative that every individual whom God calls should respond at once.

A gift of War Bonds worth \$800 was recently made to B.B.I. This is an indication of the keen apprehension by laymen of their relation both to God and country. On the one hand, by the purchase of bonds they have answered the immediate call of country. By the gift of those same bonds they help assure the future of a great theological school. While being loyal to their country they have expressed their love of God. In these days of prosperity and debt paying, Southern Baptists must not forget to provide for the future income of their agencies and institutions. In that way these institutions may be kept debt free no matter what the future holds.

During the 1942-43 session 240 students at B.B.I. received the finest training both in the field of scholarship and practical experience. Outstanding professors taught them through the week. On the week-end they labored for Christ as pastors, church workers, and missionaries. This school of providence and prayer must maintain its full ministry through these days. It is doing work essential to the life of America. More important, it is doing the work of God.

## Baptist Bible Institute

DUKE K. McCALL, President

New Orleans

Louisiana



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President  
Baptist Bible Institute  
New Orleans, Louisiana

### MISSISSIPPI EXILE LEADS FLORIDA CHURCH

I greatly appreciate the weekly visits of The Baptist Record. I always read it with great interest and relish. I have never lost interest in Mississippi Baptists or their doings. It has been a number of years now since it has been my joy and privilege to work in the state, but even so I still love Mississippi and Mississippi Baptists and rejoice in all their successes.

The Record family will be happy to know, I am sure, of God's continued blessings upon our church. We had forty-three additions in March and April. As for our finances, they are in the healthiest condition ever. For the first four months of 1939 the church raised \$3,209.08, while for the corresponding period in 1943 we raised \$3,208.13. Our 1943 budget, which is a little more than two and a half times as large as the 1941 budget, is now paid 116% for the first four months of the year. It was paid 126% for the month of April.

We have the Florida Baptist Witness in our budget. We send the Witness to more than 325 families every week. We would not be willing to do without the weekly visit of our Baptist paper.

B. C. LAND, Pastor.

—BR—

### CAN WE TITHE IN HARD TIMES?

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### "HE WENT UP INTO A MOUNTAIN"

Christian education magnifies the art of Christian living, and produces the inspiration and the faithful devotion which makes life fuller and more valuable. The aim of the Christian college is to cultivate an abiding faith against the devastating effect of skepticism and materialistic philosophy.

Our Christian colleges are not content to give a mere uninspired education. While they teach the truth, they present it with an objective. They give education an altruistic motive, and constructive aim. They teach sound thinking and additionally they show their students how to live by producing wider horizons, broader visions, more beautiful Christian personalities and deeper spiritualities.

The Christian college is a beacon radiating the light of new hope to the nation's youth. In this haven of Christian ideals, youth is inspired to worthy achievement.

Jesus, the Master teacher, who established the first Christian school (Matthew 11:29), taught in every place, but for the best place for His teaching, when He wanted to get away from the turmoil of the crowd, "He went up into a mountain," where the peace of God reigned. "And seeing the multitudes, He went up into a mountain: and when He was set, His disciples came unto Him: and He opened His mouth and taught them." Matt. 5:1-2.

Blue Mountain College, too, is located in the hills where its students may learn truths in immaculate isolation from all intrusion. God surely guided those two stalwarts of the faith, J. B. Gambrell and General M. P. Lowrey, seventy years ago as they prayed it through beneath the old oak tree in front of Academy church in Tippah county when they made the decision to place the college against the breast of beautiful Blue Mountain. And in the years that followed, His everlasting arms have been underneath the school as it weathered many difficulties and leavened the life of Mississippi and the nation with the trained Christian mothers who have passed through its halls.

Baptists in Mississippi will be presented with an opportunity to have a part in the destiny of this God-blessed school, which is not seeking to be greater—only to be better, by donating liberally to the offerings the churches are asked to take for its endowment fund in June.

When we consider that less than one per cent of the Baptists of the state donated ninety thousand dollars last year, we realize that the people COULD enable Blue Mountain College to get out of the field by donating the remainder of the two hundred thousand dollars when the offerings are taken.

Won't you remember Blue Mountain in June?

—BR—

Harrisburg, Pa.—A bill permitting religious, veterans' and other organizations to operate bingo games for profit was killed for the current session of the state legislature when the Senate by a 26 to 19 vote recommitted the measure to its law and order committee. (Editor's note: Bingo is gambling.)

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Do your best for Blue Mountain in June.



# Baptist Training Union

AIM—Training in Church Membership

AUBER J. WILDS, State Secretary  
OXFORD, MISS. JACKSON, MISS.

## Still in the Envelope

As we have gone around over the state within the last six weeks we have been asked about the plans for the contests for the District Conventions, about the program, who was to be the guest speaker, etc. These questions came from leaders, including pastors. We were a bit surprised for some of these leaders and pastors who asked the questions are among the most interested leaders we have, and pastors who have always been strong for the Training Union work, so we would inquire, "Did you not receive an envelope containing all this information?" The answer is "No," and then we begin a look about the house or study—lo and behold the first thing we knew we put our hands right on that envelope, the one printed green with the Training Union emblem in the left-hand corner, and over the right-hand corner the printed permit the U. S. mail department gives us to save sixty dollars every time we send out a letter or information like that. The envelope contains one each of the contest sheets of instructions, a list of "facts" regarding the time of meeting, personnel, etc., and a letter explaining everything. These letters were mailed out weeks ago. If you think you have received nothing about the conventions, check your unopened mail, search your husband's desk and office, or your wife's as the case may be. If you fail to find it, ask your pastor to open the one he received and let you take a look at it. Every pastor, more than six hundred in number, was mailed a complete set of the material. If perchance you are unable to find it now just drop us a card and it will be our pleasure to send you the information desired. WE DO WANT YOU TO HAVE IT, AND WE DO WANT YOU TO COME AND BRING A GOOD CROWD TO THE CONVENTION.

Thanks to Mrs. Elton Barlow for the information that the Lucien church has organized a Training Union with Junior, Intermediate and Adult Unions. We are glad to add these units to our list for Franklin Association and hope to list them among our Standard unions before the year is out.

## Sgt. H. F. Colquitt Sets Good Example

It was our pleasure to meet Sgt. H. F. Colquitt in Biloxi a few weeks ago when we were out at Keesler Field. He was so interested in the religious program out there, and was a great help to the chaplain. His interest brought him into close affiliation with the First Baptist Church of Biloxi also and he was there for the services, helping in every way possible. The following Sunday—May 9th—I met him again in Oxford. He had been transferred to the administration school there, and he recognized me and made himself known—and how we appreciate such an act. It was at the Training Union I met him there, his first Sunday in town. He identified himself with God's people.

he showed a willingness to serve, and he was used. We had him singing in the choir that first night, and the next Sunday night he was on a special program given by the young people who had charge of the evening services of the church. The influence of such young men in our camps is one of the great possibilities for our winning the PEACE in this great war. We thank God for him and the others like him.

In twelve days we shall be looking forward to meeting a great group from all over district six in Burnsville for the District Convention. District Six includes Lee, Itawamba, Prentiss, Alcorn and Tishomingo counties. Then we will be sharing the joys of the other meetings that will follow. New Albany the 9th, Bruce, 10th; 41st Avenue Meridian, 11th; Raleigh, 14th; Ellisville, 15th; Salem near Collins, 16th; Wiggins, 17th; First McComb, 18th; First Jackson, 21st; Durant, 22nd; Moorhead, 23rd; Paynes, 24th; Lyon, 25th. These meetings bring a splendid inspirational as well as practical program within reach of all of our people. Those who take advantage of it get the blessing. Come thou with us. Bring a bus. A free will offering takes the place of the former method of a registration fee. Every one is welcome and urged to come. The program begins at 2:00 in the afternoon in each case.

## We Welcome Dr. J. O. Williams to New Position

Dr. J. O. Williams, who has been business manager of the Sunday School Board, has been promoted to the office of education and promotion. This means that Dr. Williams will be the head of all Sunday School and Training Union work and will direct these activities through the heads of each department. We welcome Dr. Williams to this important place and pledge him the wholehearted cooperation, the kind of cooperation Mississippi Baptists extend to our denominational work as a whole. He comes well equipped for the work, having been a successful pastor, interested in the educational work in the church. He succeeds Dr. P. E. Burroughs, who for some years has served so faithfully and successfully in this capacity. Dr. Burroughs is retiring from active service with the Board.

## Mr. Harold Ingraham Succeeds Dr. Williams

The business management of the Baptist Sunday School Board does not suffer as Dr. Williams accepts a different position with the Board, for Mr. Harold Ingraham, well known throughout the Southern Baptist Convention accepts the place of business manager. Mr. Ingraham has been for some years head of the Sunday School Administration Department. He has been with the Sunday School Board twenty-one years and so is familiar with the work in every way. We feel that the Board has made a wise selection here

## CHANGES AMONG THE CHURCHES

By Chester M. Savage  
Called and Accepted

Robert L. Lee, Edwards, Miss.  
R. K. Hooks, East, Paducah, Ky.  
M. R. Reagan, Sayersville, Ky.  
Herbert Cockburn, Upton, Ky.  
Fred A. Tarpley, First, Donelson, Tenn.  
Andrew M. Coltharp, associate pastor, Second Baptist, Richmond, Va.  
Nathan C. Brooks, Jr., Waynesboro, Ga.  
L. S. Clark, Mt. Holly, N. C.  
W. S. Chadwick, Waverly, Tenn.  
J. M. Lunsford, Rochester, Tex.  
Paul Palmer, Heber Springs, Ark.  
C. C. Husted, Cambridge, Md.  
J. C. Weathers, Harmony, S. C.  
Ray Barnes, Holcomb, Mo.  
F. S. Rivers, Eastside, Newberry, S. C.  
T. D. Douglas, Kilbourne, La.  
M. T. Doughty, Searcy, La.  
C. C. Drye, Howels, N. C.  
Chester Jordan, Grandfield, Okla.  
Robert E. Hopkins, Wetumpka, Okla.  
Geo. C. Boston, Central, Muskogee, Okla.

## Resigned

M. R. Reagan, McRoberts, Ky.  
Fred A. Tarpley, Adairville, Ky.  
Ed F. McDowell, Jr., Park City, Ky.  
Andrew M. Coltharp, Kirkwood, Bondville, Ky.  
J. A. Davis, Spring City, Tenn.  
J. M. Lunsford, Rogers, Tex.  
W. A. Frye, Barton, Ala.  
Paul Palmer, Alma, Ark.  
J. E. Chandler, Epps, La.  
Geo. C. Boston, Pawhuska, Okla.

## MRS. S. E. FONDREN

"Thy purpose, Lord, we cannot see  
But all is well when done by Thee."

Whereas our loving Heavenly Father in His infinite wisdom has deemed it wise to call home the spirit of our sister and co-worker, Mrs. S. E. Fondren, and whereas we bow in humble submission to His will, yet the hearts of friends and loved ones are sorely grieved because of the brief separation.

Therefore be it resolved that the members of the T. E. L. class of the Drew Baptist Sunday school hereby express to her family their love and sympathy, and assure them they, too, grieve because of the loss of a loyal, faithful

and that the work will go right on without loss or slowdown.

## Biloxi First Holds Leadership Conference

The first week in May was set aside by the First church Biloxi for a leadership conference. Each evening through Thursday a group of the leaders came together and discussed general plans for enlarging the work and making the work a bit more efficient. Three general committees were added to the organization, thus assuring each phase of the work a definite plan for planning and executing. Definite plans were made for the Executive Committee meetings, the monthly Officers Council for each union and for the Training Union. Also plans were made for an efficiency campaign among the unions. This will give each union a judge each Sunday for a period of six weeks, judging the unions on ten points vital to the success of the union. It was the pleasure of your state secretary to have part in this conference. He greatly enjoyed the fellowship and appreciates the good work being done by the pastor and leaders of this good church.

## BLUE MOUNTAIN ELECTS OFFICERS

Blue Mountain, Miss., May 14—Miss Marguerite Davis, Lebanon, Mo., has been elected editor-in-chief of the Mountain Breeze, student literary magazine at Blue Mountain College for next session, and Miss Virginia Guy, Jackson, Tenn., has been elected business manager.

Other members of the staff are: Misses Bradford Keene, Pensacola, Fla., associate editor; Carolyn Hudson, New Albany, assistant business manager; Jean Naylor, Leonardtown, Maryland, contributing editor; Jean Lowrey, Blue Mountain, contributing editor; Rosalyn Russell, Atlanta, Ga., contributing editor; Ruth Vorder Bruegge, Memphis, Tenn., art editor; Dorris Coggins, Baldwin, advertising editor; Marjorie Donnell, Blue Mountain, advertising editor; Eunice Lang, Crystal Springs, manuscript editor; Peggy Patrick, Corinth, manuscript editor; Phyllis Stout, Barrington, Ill., exchange editor.

## RESOLUTION CONCERNING CHAPLAIN D. A. HOGAN

WHEREAS, Brother D. A. Hogan has been commissioned as chaplain in the U. S. Army, and has been taken from us, and

WHEREAS, he was the faithful pastor of the Purvis Baptist Church for twelve years and of Brooklyn, Dixie, Glendale, Central, Tatum Camp, and other churches for varying periods of time, and

WHEREAS, he served ably as moderator of the Lebanon Association and as president of the Lebanon Pastors' Conference, and

WHEREAS, he has wholeheartedly supported all phases of our denominational program,

WHEREAS, he has been a faithful undershepherd of those committed to his care and with zeal and untiring efforts has sought after lost souls, and

WHEREAS, he is held in high esteem by his fellow pastors as a good minister of the Lord Jesus Christ,

## THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the pastors of this conference, express to him our sincere regrets in losing him from our midst, but rejoice with him in the high place of responsibility and service to which he has been commissioned, and

BE IT RESOLVED, also that we join with him in prayer for a successful soul-saving ministry among the men in the armed forces of our country, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Purvis Baptist Church, to his family, to The Baptist Record, and a copy spread on the minutes of our conference.

Cordially,

C. S. MOULDER,  
E. M. BILBO,  
J. A. BARNHILL,  
Committee.

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member. Her example of Christ-like living will ever be an inspiration to each one of her class.

May He who notes the fall of a sparrow give comfort and strength as He alone can do, making them to know she would not have them grieve for her. May they know, there is no death, what seems so is only transition.

Be it further resolved that a copy of these resolutions be sent the family, a copy be given space in the minutes of the T. E. L. class and a copy be sent to The Baptist Record and Drew Leader for publication.

Respectfully submitted:

MRS. J. W. PARKS,  
MRS. H. C. BLACK,  
MRS. J. B. HUGHES,  
Committee.



# SOUTHERN BAPTISTS' GIFTS TO BIBLE SOCIETY SHOW LARGE INCREASE

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sionary-minded Christian people.

Because Baptists so strongly believe in the importance of Scripture distribution and because the society's foundation policy is to supply the Scriptures "without note or comment," Southern Baptists have found in the American Bible Society an organization with which they can heartily cooperate.

The missionaries rejoice that the people of the home churches are increasingly recognizing that the American Bible Society's work is an integral part of Southern Baptists' own program of world-wide missions and, as such, should receive adequate and generous financial support.

In 1942 the increased gifts from Southern Baptists showed that the Bible Society has been made a member of the Baptist family. The total of gifts to the Society from Southern Baptist churches rose from \$3,324 in 1941 to \$25,694 in 1942, which was the third largest amount given by any denomination. \$22,000 of this total was given for the war emergency work of the Society so that Southern Baptists gave more to the war emergency fund than any other denomination, in fact almost as much as the combined amounts given by the two next highest denominations.

The Society is grateful for the interest in the work which is manifested by this generous increase in financial support and for the cordial welcome extended to the members of its staff who have been called upon to present the work to Southern Baptists. For the past several years, Southern Baptists have been represented on the advisory council of the American Bible Society and Dr. Francis C. Stifler, a fellow-Baptist who serves as editorial secretary on the Society's headquarters staff in New York, has been invited to bring a report of the work of the Society at the annual meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention.

In 1942 a Southern Baptist was added to the Society's staff in the appointment of the Rev. Thomas F. Holloway as associate district secretary of the American Bible Society's southwestern district, with headquarters at Dallas, Texas. With a background of nine years as a denominational worker, employed by the Baptist General Convention of Texas as Baptist minister for college students in Dallas, he enjoyed the respect and confidence of the leaders of the denomination. In his capacity with the Bible Society, Mr. Holloway has been received with a hearty welcome, not only in his own district, comprising the states of Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas and Louisiana, but throughout the entire Southern Baptist Convention territory. He has been asked to confer with the various state and southwide Baptist leaders regarding appropriate ways of informing Southern Baptists of the Society's work and of securing the financial support which they seem so ready to give when the information is presented.

During the closing months of 1942 and the beginning of 1943, Baptist churches in several states made offerings for the work of the American Bible Society on special Sundays designated by the state conventions and

Every organization in the Clear Creek church, Puckett, is going forward, and several hundred dollars are in the treasury with all obligations paid, including the Now Club quota. Plans are under way to build a new church and a pastor's home in the near future.—R. H. Fitzgerald, pastor.

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an increasing number of churches have included the Bible Society in their regular budgets. Some of the gifts from the churches have been for the regular world-wide work of the Society; others have been designated for the war emergency work, especially for the supply of Scriptures for our armed forces, including New Testaments in waterproof containers for the lifeboats and liferafts of the ships and airplanes of the army, navy and merchant marine.

To help sustain the world-wide work of the British and Foreign Bible Society and the other Bible societies of Europe which are crippled by the war, and to meet the urgent needs for Scriptures among war prisoners, refugees and citizens of the stricken countries of Europe, generous appropriations have been made from the World Emergency Relief Fund administered by the Foreign Mission Board. To help the Society increase its ability to enter the open doors of opportunity in other fields, particularly China and Latin America, an appropriation of \$5,000 for the regular work of the Society was made from the beyond-the-goal gifts of the 1942 Lottie Moon Christmas offering of the Woman's Missionary Union.

All of these needs will continue for the duration of the war. But the Bible Society must also prepare now for the needs and opportunities of a great world-wide missionary advance after the war. In today's emphasis on the strategic importance to build for tomorrow's world, there is a renewed emphasis on the strategic importance of Scripture distribution among the great masses of people in all lands, many of whom have never received the Gospel of Christ by either the spoken or written word. In every missionary advance the Bible goes forward first. Only where the Scriptures have been given to the people in their native language has a vital permanent Christian work been established. The most notable missionary progress has been made in the fields where widespread distribution of the Scriptures in the language of the people has served as the advance agent and powerful ally of all other forms of missionary work.

In the face of such needs and opportunities, Southern Baptists will surely continue to increase their giving. The American Bible Society is grateful for their generous support and confidently looks toward the Baptists of the South to take an even greater place of leadership in the support of the work of the Society. Let every state convention and district association take action requesting the churches to give according to some definite plan or on some designated Sunday. Let every church present the need and give the people an opportunity to contribute to this work of sending the printed word of God to others throughout the whole world.



DOROTHY WALLACE GOES TO HIGHLAND CHURCH

Miss Dorothy Wallace of Meridian and has accepted an invitation to become church secretary and assist with the educational work of the Highland Baptist Church of Meridian. She will assume her duties with the church on Sunday, May 30th.

Miss Wallace is receiving her degree from Blue Mountain College this week. She is already well fitted to do this work and the Highland church membership and pastor are rejoicing in her coming to their assistance.

The church has enjoyed remarkable growth and progress during the past few months. Since we arrived on the field about 15 months ago the members have brought approximately \$18,000 into the storehouse and there has been a net increase of 145 to membership of the church.

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## REJOICE EVERYBODY

J. E. Dillard

Southern Baptists are almost out of debt. We have paid \$1,000,000.00 on the debt since May 1, 1942; we have paid \$500,000.00 since January 1; the Foreign Mission Board got entirely out March 12; the Home Mission Board paid the last dollar May 12; the three seminaries (May 12) owe less than \$275,000.00; the Southern Baptist Hospital owes only \$100,000.00. All Convention causes combined owe (May 12) only \$636,998.09. This is about 1-10 what it was ten years ago.

Aren't you glad that we have saved our reputation, credit, property, and work; that we have stopped \$1,000.00 a day in interest; that we have been and are paying 100 cents on the dollar; that your church and group have helped (?); that you have (or have you?) done your part.

The time is short to finish the task in a becoming way; to get the full 100,000 memberships in the 100,000 Club; to reach our goal by the end of the year; to clear the way for a post-war world program.

A little bit is a big bit now. We want everybody to help some. Some have given \$1.00 a month for ten years; some have given more, some less; some have given nothing at all. To which class do you belong? Are you glad?

Ask your pastor today for a membership card in the Baptist Hundred Thousand Club, or give a substantial cash offering, or both, to help your denomination be entirely DEBT-FREE IN '43—COUNT ON ME

## KNOW YOUR BIBLE

QUIZ QUESTIONS FOR TEACHER AND CLASS

1. There is a word in the Bible of eleven letters, five of which are the letter 's.' What is the word and where is it found?

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2. What was the name of the young man who fell from a window, and where in the Bible is it recorded?

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3. Frequently we hear the quotation, "The fly in the ointment." It originated from a verse in the Bible. Where is it found?

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4. Referring to the "King James Version" of the Bible. Did King James the First translate or write it?

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## TWO IMPORTANT COMMITTEES

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was recommended that a choice place be given in each annual association meeting for a message on Stewardship. It was also recommended that a stewardship director be appointed in each association.

A special tract on stewardship was authorized.

Helpful discussions were had regarding receiving members, worship, in giving, preaching and stewardship, etc.

Members present were: Drs. W. L. Day, Louisville; W. L. Holcomb, Prentiss; Cloud Bowen, Jackson; C. J. Olander, Morgan City, and D. I. Young.

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We thank Chester Quarles, pastor of Leland church, for the following: "In the Alabama Baptist of May 6, on the editor's page, Dr. Gwaltney is discussing 'Our Own Affairs' (the Alabama state work) and calling Alabama Baptists to the task of rightly attending to these affairs. And then he says, 'Our sister state west of us—Mississippi—has made and is making rapid progress in paying its debts. And since that state has no such great cities or war industries as has Alabama, it has no such possibility, YET IT IS SIMPLY LEAVING ALABAMA FAR BEHIND IN ITS GREAT DENOMINATIONAL PROGRESS.' I call that great praise coming from Dr. L. L. Gwaltney, one of Southern Baptists' 'greats' and unquestionably the most influential Alabama Baptist. And may I remind you, no man loves Alabama any more than does he."

The Watchman-Examiner says: "It is crippling to the Baptist approach to the Russian people and their government that the Baptists have gone into the World Council of Churches, an organization predominantly consisting of politically privileged sects or state churches. Our affiliation with these compromises our approach to the Soviet regime. We shall undoubtedly be asked to explain why we are on fraternal footing with the type of state church which is an abhorrence to the state rulers." May we express the hope that most folks in Russia probably have never heard of the World Council of Churches. Also the opinion that there are lots of people in this country who wonder why Baptists should wish to be linked up with state churches and those who believe in salvation by sacraments. L.



# Sunday School Department

E. C. WILLIAMS, Secretary

MISS CAROLYN MADISON, Elementary Secretary

## Victory Week

July 7-13 is Victory Week at Ridgecrest. This is the special week for associational Sunday school officers. The entire program for that week is planned especially for helping associational Sunday school officers. The aims of this week are to help in every possible way these associational officers who are leading in the great work of helping all Sunday schools from the least to the greatest.

Since these associational officers serve without pay, it would be a great thing if the churches would provide the money necessary to send at least the associational superintendent to Ridgecrest for Victory Week, July 7-13.

Write Mr. Perry Morgan, manager, Ridgecrest, N. C., for reservation. The conference opens Wednesday evening, July 7, and closes Tuesday noon, July 13. All Ridgecrest conferences this year open and close in the middle of the week in order to avoid the rush of week-end travel. We hope that many of our Mississippi associational Sunday school superintendents will avail themselves of this great opportunity to attend Victory Week at Ridgecrest, July 7-13.

## Want a Program?

We have on hand a number of mimeographed opening worship programs for Vacation Bible schools. These give the call to worship verse, motto, salutes and pledges to the flags and Bible, suggested appropriate songs, etc., for a complete opening worship program. They are free and we shall be glad to mail them on request. Of course, you do not have to have one of these in order to have a good opening worship program, because they are also given in the books, but these are all arranged in simple form so that they are easy to use. Write us if you want one.

## Standards

The following standard applications have been received recently. We are always delighted to publish the list of standards from time to time, both because of the encouragement that may come to these units as well as for the inspiration of others to do the same thing.

## Classes

**JUNIOR:** Shining Lights, Griffith Memorial Jackson, Mrs. T. D. Cunningham, teacher; Character Builders, Griffith Memorial Jackson, Mrs. J. M. Joffrion, teacher; Doers of the Word, Griffith Memorial Jackson, Mrs. J. M. Brown, teacher.

**INTERMEDIATE:** Queen Esthers, New Albany, Mrs. E. C. Caldwell, teacher; Pilot, Jackson First, Mrs. W. B. Moore, teacher; King's Messengers, Holly Springs, Mrs. Collins Shackelford, teacher; Owls, Holly Springs, C.

E. Nichols, teacher; Conquerors, Holly Springs, Mrs. Elliott Boone, teacher; Sunshine Scatterers, Pope, Mrs. Gaston McCullough, teacher; Character Builders, Leland, E. A. Curry teacher.

**ADULT:** Philathea, McComb First, Miss Mattie Mae Burkett, teacher; T. E. L., Magee, Mrs. X. O. Steele, teacher.

## Departments

Cradle Roll, Union, Mrs. Ray Foster, superintendent; Beginner, Philadelphia, Mrs. R. V. Taylor, superintendent; Primary, West Point First, Mrs. J. B. Walker, superintendent; Intermediate, Holly Springs, Mrs. W. C. Sandusky, superintendent.

## Schools

Senatobia, Dr. H. L. Martin, pastor, Sam C. Stevens, superintendent; Lyon, Rev. A. Estus Mason, pastor, A. B. Adams, superintendent; Hollandale, Rev. J. B. Smith, pastor, C. L. Crawley, superintendent; Hattiesburg Fifth Avenue, Dr. I. E. Rouse, pastor, W. A. Moody, superintendent.

To one and all of these leaders we extend heartiest congratulations on these achievements. Every Sunday school that becomes standard by June 1 will be published on the Sunday School Board Honor Roll. Be sure and get us your applications not later than June 1 so that your school will be on this roll.

## West Point

From the Bulletin of the First Baptist Church, West Point, Rev. John E. Barnes, Jr., pastor, Emmett Ruble, superintendent, we gather these most encouraging figures: There was a Sunday school attendance recently of 682, and the all-time record is 690. Considering the fact that more than 100 have gone from that church to the armed services, this is indeed excellent. The Sunday school showed a 41% gain for April this year over the same month last year. The Adult department had a gain of 136% for April over last year, and the Cradle Roll had a 64% gain. We also note the fact that their next step is to be a standard school. Their Adult department recently had the largest attendance of which they have any record.

We happen to know that a great deal of visiting and personal contact work has been done by that church within recent weeks. When all this is added up it counts greatly in the matter of attendance.

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Highland church in Meridian reported the largest Training Union attendance in Meridian on May 16.



DR. H. M. IVY

## BLUE MOUNTAIN GRADUATES FIFTY

President Lawrence T. Lowrey awarded the degree of bachelor of arts to fifty graduates of Blue Mountain College on the occasion of the seventieth annual commencement of the college, three diplomas in piano, one diploma in speech arts, and two diplomas in voice. Dr. H. M. Ivy of Meridian and former president of the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, gave the commencement address. Commencement was preceded Sunday by the baccalaureate sermon by the Rev. John F. Measells, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Amory. Mr. Measells is a graduate of Mississippi College, the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary; and has been a member of the Education Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. His daughter, Katherine, was one of the graduates. Several additional degrees will be awarded at the close of the summer convocation in August.

A list of those receiving degrees and diplomas follows:

Misses Eleanor Grace Bates, West Hartford, Conn.; Rebecca Boykin, Neshoba; Martha Bryant, Booneville; Dorothy Carlton, Murfreesboro, Tenn.; Margaret Chastain, Lexington; Mary Jo Clark, Brookhaven; Marion Elizabeth Davis, Greenville; Mary Katherine Dodson, Halls, Tenn.; Ellen Louise Edens, Sumter, S. C.; Edith Edenton, Alamo, Tenn.; Edna Earle Ellis, Mathiston; Joyce Farmer, Princeton, Ky.; Susie Hacker, Florence, Ala.; Martha Eugenia Hicks, Sledge; Marian Izard, Newhebron; Floy Elizabeth Jacobs, Franklin, Ky.

Misses Addie Mae Jamison, Indianola; Virginia Jenkins, Lucedale; Daisy Doris Johnson, Taylorsville; Camille Gann Johnson, Senatobia; Mattie Louise Jones, Inverness; Ruth Elizabeth Kent, Blue Mountain; Elizabeth Ann Knox, Pontotoc; Doris Lang, Crystal Springs; Dorothy Fung-Ping Leung, Hongkong, China; Edna Christine McCully, Louisville; Martha Rose Moffitt, Jackson; Dorothy Elizabeth Pinson, Memphis, Tenn.; Jane Pryor, West Point; Rebecca Whitaker Reid, Greenville, S. C.; Doris Elaine Roberts, Sheffield, Ala.

Misses Mary Katherine Sanders, Blue Mountain; Doris Sandusky, Holly Springs; Edith Ione Sledge, Greenwood; Grace Juanita Smith, Vero Beach, Fla.; Jimmie Del Stubbs, Ripley; Mildred Sumrall, Meridian; Edith Leon Taylor, Louisville; Jimmie Todd, Ellisville; Mary Lee Trenor,



REV. J. F. MEASELLS

Louisville; Lucy Turner, Marks; Martha Sue Vandiver, Grenada; Dorothy Wallace, Meridian; Sara Wallis, Memphis, Tenn.; Emma Elizabeth Weatherly, Swannanoa, North Carolina; Bebe Zanelle Welborn, New Albany; Lynne Whitehurst, Sheffield, Ala.; Becky Williams, Utica; Lorraine Witt, Demarest, New Jersey.

Miss Eleanor Grace Bates was awarded the diploma in speech arts, Misses Martha Bryant, Virginia Jenkins and Rebecca Reid, the diploma in piano, and Misses Joyce Farmer, Lynne Whitehurst the diploma in voice.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL AND B. T. U. ATTENDANCE

Louisville First	247	31
Kreole	77	31
Jackson First	937	230
Sardis (Neshoba)	50	
Friendship (Lincoln)	46	40
Morrison Chapel	89	81
Ackerman	107	17
Liberty Hill (Panola)	102	60
Wallerville	52	39
Olive Branch	64	45

Kreole church revival will start June 6. Bill Kyzar will be the visiting preacher.—Reporter.

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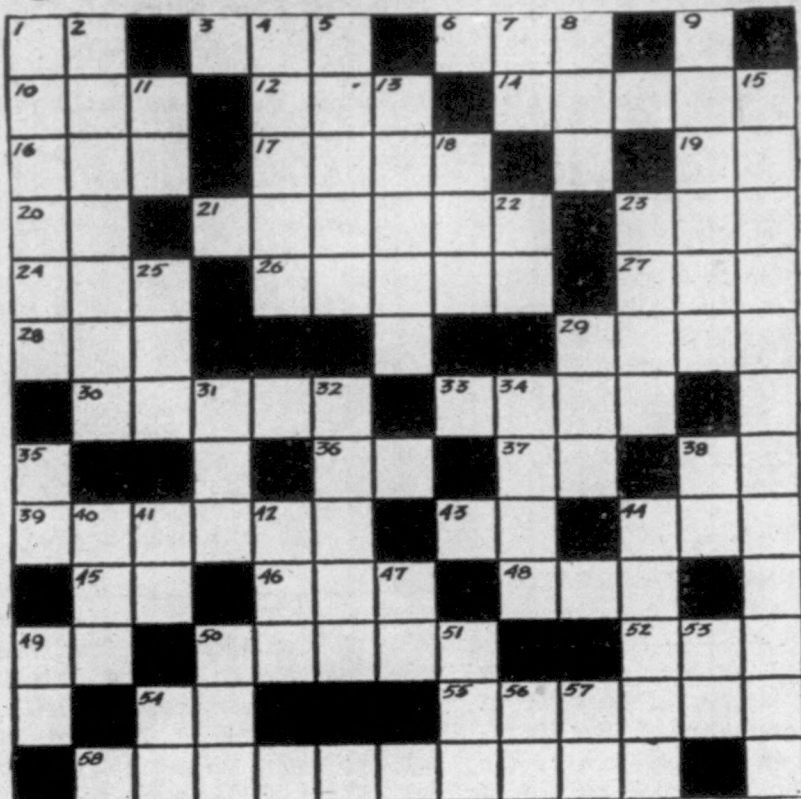
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## OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE

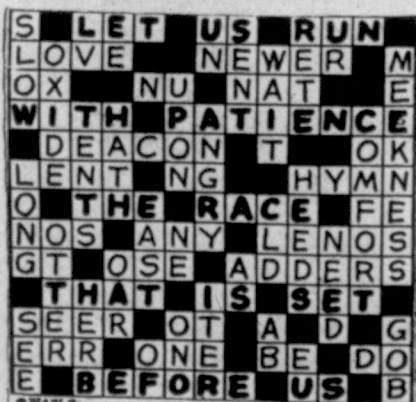


The wicked flee when no man pursueth: but the righteous are bold as a lion.—Prov. 28:1.

## WICKEDNESS

- Across**
- 1 Postscript.
  - 3 "... all the wicked will he destroy," Ps. 145:20.
  - 6 "wickedness burneth as ... fire," Isa. 9:18.
  - 10 "... of the wicked shall not rest upon," Ps. 125:3.
  - 12 Boy's name.
  - 14 Capital of Egypt.
  - 16 Combining form from Greek.
  - 17 "eyes of the wicked shall ..." Job 11:20.
  - 19 Oil of vitriol.
  - 20 French; Forest Reserve.
  - 21 "the ... are like the troubled sea," Isa. 57:20.
  - 23 Turkish weight.
  - 24 Electrified particle.
  - 26 "according to the wickedness of ... endeavors," Ps. 28:4.
  - 27 "... sins, which are many," Luke 7:47.
  - 28 Two (Scot.).
  - 29 "than to dwell in the ... s of wickedness," Ps. 84:10.
  - 30 "My lips ... not speak wickedness," Job 27:4.
  - 33 "wicked shall ... into mischief," Prov. 24:16.
  - 36 "sins which ... sinned, in doing wickedly," Deut. 9:18.
  - 37 "For ... I begin to bring evil," Jer. 25:29.
  - 38 "... if he ask a fish, will he," Matt. 7:10.
  - 39 "Being ... with all unrighteousness," Rom. 1:29.
  - 43 "Whosoever committeth sin ... the servant of sin," John 8:34.
  - 44 Japanese measure.
  - 45 "not be established ... wickedness," Prov. 12:3.
  - 46 "none doth return from ... wickedness," Jer. 23:14.
  - 48 "Thine ... wickedness shall correct thee," Jer. 2:19.
  - 49 Western continent.
  - 50 City in Florida.
- DOWN**
- 52 "thoughts of the wicked ... an abomination," Prov. 15:26.
  - 54 Father.
  - 55 "dwelling place of the wicked shall come to ..." Job 8:22.
  - 58 "sow ... reap the same," Job 4:8. Our text is 3, 6, 21, 30, 33, 45, 46, 48 and 58 combined.
  - 1 "Treasures of wickedness ... nothing," Prov. 10:2.
  - 2 "Many ... shall be to the wicked," Ps. 32:10.
  - 4 Disqualify.
  - 5 "Then will I ... transgressors," Ps. 51:13.
  - 7 House of commons.
  - 8 "... the bread of wickedness," Prov. 4:17.
  - 9 "the arms of the wicked shall be ..." Ps. 37:17.
  - 11 "God will not ... wickedly," Job 34:12.
  - 13 Banks of earth thrown up from ditches.
  - 15 "wickedness ... the sinner," Prov. 13:6.
  - 18 Monetary unit of Roumania (pl.).
  - 22 Doctor.
  - 23 Son of Zerubbabel, I Chron. 3:20.
  - 25 Nahum.
  - 29 Total loss only (marine insurance).
  - 31 "ye have done ... this wickedness," 1 Sam. 12:20.
  - 32 Devout woman of Thyatira, Acts 16:14.
  - 34 "horns of the wicked ... will I cut off," Ps. 75:10.
  - 35 "violence covereth the mouth ... the wicked," Prov. 10:6.
  - 38 "... that men would praise the Lord," Ps. 107:15.
  - 40 Institute of British architects.
  - 41 Suffix forming adverbs.
  - 42 Son of Benjamin, Gen. 46:21.
  - 44 Rough branches broken off.
  - 47 State militia.
  - 49 "... peace, saith my God, to the wicked," Isa. 57:21.
  - 50 Prefix to Scotch names.
  - 51 "no room for them in the ..." Luke 2:7.
  - 53 Royal highness.
  - 54 3.1416.
  - 56 Diphthong.
  - 57 "our sins testify against ..." Isa. 59:12.

## Answer to Last Week's Puzzle



## RESOLUTIONS

Whereas, The United States of America is engaged in a struggle against enemies of democracy, decency and religion, and that it has been necessary to enlist men from every state, including large numbers of men from Mississippi, and that a relatively large number of these men are members of the Fellowship Baptist Church and citizens of the Center Hill community in Lauderdale county;

Be it resolved that today as we honor the men in the service as duly authorized by Fellowship Baptist Church, that we enter into a covenant of prayer to God, the Father of the Lord Jesus Christ for the protection of these men who are members and citizens of our church and community, and that we pray also for the spiritual and physical welfare of every man who wears the uniform of our country.

Also, be it resolved that the members of Fellowship Baptist Church rededicate and reconsecrate their lives to God that their prayers might be honored by the One who has the power to decide the destiny of every nation.

Be it further resolved that a copy of these resolutions be sent to The Baptist Record and that copies be given to the families of the men from Center Hill who are in the armed forces.

Read and adopted by the Fellowship Baptist Church in Lauderdale county, Mississippi, this ninth day of May, 1943.

MRS. G. V. RICHARDSON,  
MRS. M. L. AVARA,  
T. F. SNOWDEN,  
T. C. REEVES,

Committee

R. H. FITZGERALD,  
C. E. SNOWDEN,

Pastor.

J. W. RICHARDSON,

Clerk.

—BR—

Do your best for Blue Mountain in June.

## WILLIAM JOSEPH ATKINSON

William Joseph Atkinson, better known by his many friends as Billie, was born March 16, 1892, died April 17, 1943. It was with sad hearts we put him to rest, beneath a mound of flowers which was a token of love from his loved ones and friends. He was a Christian, a member of Crowder Baptist Church, and ready to meet his Lord. He left his wife; one son, W. W. Atkinson; two daughters, Mrs. J. D. Cobb and Mrs. R. G. Bunnell; five grandchildren, and his mother, Mrs. M. L. Stroud. Our loss is heaven's gain.

Written by his mother, who will meet him in heaven.—Mrs. M. L. Stroud.

—BR—

Cincinnati—Asserting that "in the moral order there is nothing sinful or wrong in itself in playing an innocent game of chance which does an injustice to no one," Roman Catholic Archbishop John T. McNicholas of Cincinnati charged (May 5) that "our city is one of the worst governed communities of our country."

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Year	Amount	Interest Saved in June 1, 1943 Call
1952	\$ 35,000	\$ 19,500
1953	40,000	25,200
1954	52,500	36,225
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$127,500</b>	<b>\$ 80,925</b>

We have called the bonds indicated ABOVE THIS LINE.

We have left the bonds indicated BELOW THIS LINE.

Year	Amount	Interest Saved if Called in 1943
1955	\$ 52,500	\$ 44,375
1956	51,500	41,455
1957	52,500	46,675
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W. A. (SLICK) GREENE  
MISSISSIPPI PASTOR PREACHES  
IN ST. LOUIS REVIVAL

We have recently closed a most helpful meeting which ran for ten days under the leadership of Pastor Evangelist W. A. Greene, of Waynesboro, Miss. He really preached the gospel with conviction and courage. The Holy Spirit directed in every message. There were nine additions, two by letter and seven by baptism. But the good which was done, we feel freely, could not be measured by the number of additions such as the spirit in which our members responded. We have professions every Sunday.

May the Lord give us more men of God like him in these days of apostasy.

Remember us in prayer for this field where there are thousands and thousands who need Christ. Baptists are growing fast here in St. Louis. We have a missionary employed to work among the hundred thousand Jews living here. Another for foreigners. Now the plans are being made to employ a full time worker among the more than 100,000 Negroes living here. Again, we appeal to the Record readers to pray for the Baptist work in St. Louis.—F. W. Varner, pastor, Tabernacle Baptist Church.

—BR—

Pastor Norman W. Cox, of the First church, Meridian, preached in a meeting for the Eupora Baptist Church, Rev. J. R. Reedy, May 3-9. There were 14 additions to the church. Dr. Cox says, "Pastor Reedy is having one of the finest pastoral ministries in Eupora that I have seen anywhere. Under his leadership the cause is prospering in a remarkable way. The future outlook for work in Eupora is rich with promise."

Our work is making progress at East Moss Point. In the past month we have baptized five into the membership of our church and received eight by letter. Our love offering for the Baptist Orphans' Home was \$115. In our Training Union Study Course forty-six took the test. We begin our second revival meeting of this year at Mize, the first Sunday in June.—Montie A. Davis.

### HOW DO YOU READ THE BAPTIST RECORD?

Below is given a general questionnaire which all our readers are asked to fill out and send to the paper promptly.

Study the questionnaire. It is explicit. Please answer it explicitly according to your best judgment.

The results will be tabulated for future reference and guidance.

Now be sure to tell what you think about The Baptist Record, good or bad.

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Name, in order, your three favorite features of The Baptist Record:

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Suggestions for better paper -----

Note: The Baptist Record respectfully requests that no one give his or her name. Your conscientious answers, however, will be greatly appreciated and very helpful. The only cost to you will be the stamp for returning this form fully executed, but this cost will be easily justified by the service of love you render. All questionnaires should be returned before the close of May.

—BR—

First Baptist Church, Meridian, gave \$580.30 to the Orphanage offering on Mother's Day.

I am sending my renewal for The Baptist Record. I have been taking the paper for several years. I read it from cover to cover. Would not try to do without it. I am sixty-eight years old, and expect to subscribe for it as long as I have the money to pay for it.—Mrs. B. E. McGee, Rienzi, Mississippi.

Hinds-Warren Sunday School Association will hold an important meeting at Calvary Baptist Church in Jackson on May 30 at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, according to Ralph Hester. "Problems and Experiences in Vacation Bible School Work" will be featured in this meeting. Mrs. G. A. Carothers will lead the discussions.

This week marks the second anniversary of Jewell Golmon as pastor of Kreole church. Under the leadership of the pastor the church has progressed. Recently a house was purchased to be made into a parsonage. The floors in the church have been refinished and other improvements made.—Mrs. Cloyed Harris, reporter.

### BISHOP BAPTIZES (SPRINKLES) CHILD BY LONG-DISTANCE TELEPHONE

Probably the first baptism by telephone was performed recently by Methodist Bishop Herbert Welch, of New York City, when he baptized three-month-old Emily Whittlesey Herbert III of Lakeview, Oregon, child of a forest ranger, from the home of her grandparents in Upper Montclair, N. J., by coast-to-coast telephone connection. Holding the child near the telephone before an improvised font in their home, the parents heard Bishop Welch, 3000 miles away, read the Methodist baptismal ritual. As Bishop Welch pronounced the words, "Emily Whittlesey Herbert, III, I baptize thee in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, Amen," the child's father, acting in the bishop's behalf, dipped his hand in the water of the font and performed the baptism.

(Editor's Note: To us this is something new under the sun!)

—BR—

### THE CHAIRMAN OF A COMMITTEE IS USUALLY ON THE SPOT

There seems to be a custom which I feel is both unfair and sometimes causes embarrassment later on: It is that when someone in our conventions and boards feels led to make a motion that something be done by appointing a special committee, the chairman will, if motion is adopted, appoint the committee and make the one who made the motion chairman of the committee. It has gotten to the place that if one is appointed, as stated above, he wins for himself the remarks, from his ought-to-be-friends, that he is promoting himself. If this is not true, which in most cases it is not, it is a gross injustice to the one who has an interest in the on-going of the work. If it is true that the brother wishes to promote himself, it is unfair to the rest of the committee to make him chairman. I think it perfectly in order to put on the committee the one who made the motion in order that the committee may have a clear understanding of what was intended, but I sincerely believe that the custom mentioned in this article is one that should be changed. This is written in an attitude of helpfulness and after careful observation of, and hearing from, the brethren.—E. L. Carnett, pastor, First Baptist Church, Mansfield, La.

—BR—

E. I. Farr, pastor of Agricola church in George county, recently baptized ten and has three others awaiting baptism.

### Answers To Know Your Bible

Feature on Page Twelve.

1. (Word containing five letter "s"): Possessions, as found in Acts 28:7.
2. (Fell from a window): The young man's name was Eutychus (pronounced U-ti-kus). See Acts 10:9.
3. (Fly in ointment): This quotation was derived from Ecclesiastes 10:1.
4. (King James Version): King James did not translate or write it, or any part of it. For his own use, he had selected parts from Psalms translated. Following a discussion, in the presence of the Anglican Prayer Book, he ordained and sponsored a new translation of the Bible, and ordered that such revision be carried out.

Three members of the Sunday School Board staff have received commendation for superior writing in the annual contest of the Nashville, Tennessee, branch of the Pen-woman's League: Miss Mattie Leatherwood for the best poem of the year (published in The Elementary Guide); Miss Robbie Trent for an article published in a leading newspaper; Mrs. J. E. Lambdin for the outstanding piece of work for the year (The New Baptist Junior Union Manual).

We regret that in listing Record readers for George county, Shady Grove was omitted. The people at Shady Grove are all Record readers, their number being 104.

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### DR. JOHN WILLIAM PROVINE: A HALF-CENTURY!

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any other two men in similar situations in American small colleges. Brilliantly successful chemists in research laboratories, in industries legion, in hospitals and medical schools, and in many related professional activities attest Dr. Provine's excellence as a scholar and teacher in his field.

#### College Builder

In the matter of material expansion, Mississippi College enjoyed her greatest and most colorful era during Dr. Provine's presidency. The Science Hall was completed just prior to the beginning of his presidency in 1911; Ratliff Hall, the Library Building, Chrestman Hall, Farr-Hall Hospital, and the Alumni Gymnasium were all constructed during his 1911-1932 administration. Also, during his administration the college endowment was raised to approximately its present total, and the college was admitted into full standing in the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools with subsequent membership in the American Association of Colleges. Building on this excellent foundation, Dr. Provine's successor, Dr. D. M. Nelson, has retired all the indebtedness of the college and has carried the college forward to acceptance for the approved list of the American Association of Universities and to listing on the American Council of Education.

#### Athletic Seer

Still another outstanding achievement of the colorful career of the remarkable Dr. Provine has been his perennial championing of amateur college athletics as opposed to subsidized athletics. Chosen year after year by enthusiastic acclamation to the presidency of the Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Association, he has raised his voice with ardent devotion to contend for keeping college athletic programs on the level of playing-for-the-love-of-the-game. In this capacity he has made a larger contribution than any other person in the south.

#### Leader Beloved

But the greatest compliment paid to the beloved president-emeritus of Mississippi College is that he preserved the human touch in a way rarely ever seen in men so busy and versatile as he. By the thousands of Mississippi College men through the years he was affectionately called "Dutchy." As this writer has traveled through the many states in recent years, he has heard this question many times every month, "And how is good ole Dutchy?" His "boys" loved him so that they would have fought for him gladly—almost immediately after being disciplined by him! And still he loves his boys so sincerely that he follows every news item concerning any one of them, beaming with obvious pleasure at every one of their triumphs.

#### Twilight Touches

Two years ago Dr. Provine was retired from active duty in Mississippi College and is spending the years of "twilight and happy memory" in his residence directly across from the campus which has been his heart for a half century. His hungry heart and eager spirit still reach out from retirement to surround the students on the campus, and he welcomes every contact with them. Though

### NATIONAL RADIO COMMENTATOR BRADFORD S. ABERNETHY DISCUSSES BAPTISTS

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brotherhood.

Let's take the best news first—the Foreign Mission Board and the Home Mission Board are completely out of debt. And thereby hangs a tale—a tale of denominational loyalty and integrity and accomplishment that cannot, I think, be duplicated. Ten years ago Southern Baptists were pretty gloomy. And with good reason. Debts on their various boards and agencies amounted to some 6½ million dollars. Principal reason: the depression. They faced a hard choice: they could renig on their debts or drastically retrench in their work. They did neither. They said these are our debts and we'll pay them, and in the meantime our regular work must go on undiminished. And the remarkable thing is that they have done just that. Ten years ago the FMB was more than a million dollars in debt. Now they have thrown away those bottles of red ink and they don't intend to use any more in the future. The Home Mission Board, too, is debt-free. The last note for \$25,000 was paid Tuesday afternoon. Little wonder the brethren felt like singing the Doxology. The remaining debts on the other Convention agencies are some over a half million dollars, and all signs point to these debts being liquidated by the end of 1943. This is a merry month of May, indeed, for Southern Baptists, for they can now see ahead to the end of a long, hard road.

And how has the war affected Southern Baptists? No figures are available to show whether church attendance has increased, although there was a gain of 129,000 members during the year, bringing the total membership of the Convention to nearly 5,400,000. The war has, however, seriously affected Sunday school attendance, the total enrollment in

many of the present students have not known him as a teacher, he continues to this hour to be to the students a symbol of one of the finest periods in the history of the college—and they love him unanimously!

#### And Now . . .

With fifty wonderful, fruitful years of living and serving now achieved, Dr. Provine is worthy of all the praise, appreciation, and affection which we may accord him. At this happy commencement time, should not all of us who appreciate him for what he has done for our college, for us personally, or for ones who are dear to us send Dr. Provine a note or letter of appreciation? Why not sit down at your earliest opportunity to send him a word, a line, or letter to tell him in your own manner that you love and appreciate him; tell him what he has meant to you; tell him those things you have felt in your heart for him through the years. We shall remember, of course, that it would be both impossible and impractical for him to reply to our letters; yet, too, we shall know that his heart will run full, and his face will beam eloquently the profound appreciation of his great heart. And, if those of us who have known him intimately will exercise a bit of imagination, we'll probably hear a chuckle. . . . "Aw, kid, you're the stuff . . . just stay in there and fight!"

1942 being more than 100,000 below the figure for the previous year. This is attributed, in the main, to enlistments in the armed forces. And speaking of the armed forces, the Committee on Army and Navy Chaplains of the HMB last year endorsed the applications of 618 chaplains for the army and 111 for the navy. There are now on active duty 735 Southern Baptist chaplains, and in four of the seven theaters of operation in which American troops are engaged, the chief chaplain is a Southern Baptist.

The war would be expected to affect materially the foreign missionary work of the Convention, as far as personnel is concerned. On August 25, 1942, the Gripsholm brought back 40 SB missionaries from Japan and China, and 10 were detained in Manila. To date it has been impossible to get into direct touch with them. Thirty-eight missionaries who refused to leave their stations in what is now occupied China are now either in prison or internment. Two hundred and sixty-four missionaries are, however, still on foreign fields, more than half of them being in South America. The war seems to have been opening the pocket-books of Southern Baptists. The total contributions made for all causes reached an all-time high last year of better than \$52,000,000. This represents a per capita gift of \$9.75 for each member of a SB church.

#### World Friendship Felt

Those attending the Nashville meeting were made to feel a close kinship with fellow-Baptists throughout the world by the presence of Dr. J. H. Rushbrooke of London. If anyone, aside from Dr. George W. Truett, can lay claim to the title of elder statesman among Baptists it is this kindly and scholarly Britisher who for many years has commuted between London and the United States, first as secretary and now as president of the Baptist World Alliance. Dr. Rushbrooke looked yesterday not a day older than he did 10 years ago when I chatted with him in his office in London. He is one whom "age does not wither." Speaking of the effect of the war on Baptist churches in England, Dr. Rushbrooke reported that the work of the church has been seriously disorganized. Congregations are averaging only 40% of the pre-war figure, and 30 Baptist churches in London alone have been destroyed, and many more in other parts of the country. . . . Speaking of the growth of Baptists throughout the world, the elder statesman reported that there are now some 13 million Baptist church members in 60 countries exclusive of Russia, making this the largest free church body in the world. Heavy responsibilities rest on Baptists in these days, said Dr. Rushbrooke, mentioning in particular the obligation of emphasizing the central truths of the Gospel, of insisting on the thorough-going application of the teachings of Christ to every phase of man's life, and of maintaining the cardinal insistence of Baptists on religious liberty.

But to get back to the Nashville meeting—one of the meatiest reports which would have been submitted to the Convention was that from the Social Service Commission. Due to the death this year of the chairman of the commission, Dr. A. J. Barton of North Carolina, this year's report was

written by Dr. J. B. Weatherspoon. Under the heading "Christian Moral Responsibility," the report says, "In America the responsibility of Christians for the social order is utterly inescapable. It is thrust upon us by our democracy. In Germany, Italy and Japan there is dictatorship under which the only right of men is to obey. In the United States it is the right of citizens to participate in determining the kind of government we shall have, the laws under which we live, the standards of social morality, and the policies of state. And Christians are citizens. Only by their default does social corruption go unchallenged; only by their silence does social wrong go unrebuked. . . . Christians cannot forget the moral aspects of war; they must keep asking about the causes of war and seeking to find a cure. They cannot forget the spiritual issues involved in the experiences of the men who fight, in the mood of the nation constantly breathing the air of violence and death, and in the thought of peace that is to be. That is something more to be done for the country than taking up arms, buying bonds, working in defense industries, accepting rationing without complaint. And Christians, more than others, with a more excellent patriotism, must become in the midst of war the conscience of the nation and the guardians of its moral and spiritual stewardship in the midst of the world." Clear warnings were sounded against the growth of the liquor traffic and of juvenile delinquency. "It is ominous for the future that thousands of the flower of our youth must be killed in war; it is more tragic that those left behind to fill their places should fall by the tens of thousands into unprincipled living, and that by the failure of home and school and church. This is a home front responsibility of Christianity in the time of war."

Southern Baptists are becoming increasingly radio-minded. Under the chairmanship of Dr. S. F. Lowe of Atlanta, the Radio Committee launched last year a unique undertaking—The Baptist Hour series. . . . It is estimated that four million listeners were reached by this series.

The Executive Committee approved a resolution offered by Dr. Louie D. Newton of Atlanta on the matter of cooperating with the Russian War Relief Committee. Said the resolution: "We do most heartily commend the appeal of sharing our clothes with our cherished neighbors in Russia this winter, and further, we commend the suggestion of sending a million cans of evaporated milk to our Russian friends, if this plan is perfected."

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**Above the Law—A Federal judge** wonders why the telephone company, which is so insistent that individuals use the telephone service sparingly, had wide-open service for the derby bookmakers. Hasn't that judge learned that bookmakers, professional ball players, distillers and monopolists are above the law? If your mother has a birthday, you cannot telegraph birthday greetings, but there seems to be no ban on wiring for liquor or gambling on races and the like.—Selected.

#### —BR—

Do your best for Blue Mountain in June.